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1.0 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 Rossini—La Boutique Fantasque.

1.30 Reuter & Rugby Press, Weather Forecast, Announcements.

1.45 Dance Music.

2.15 Close down.

6.00 Rodin—Quartet No. 2 in D Major.

6.30 Closing local Stock Quotations.

6.32 Dance Music & Variety.

7.00 London Relay—The News.

7.15 London Relay—Topical Talks.

7.30 Excerpts from Gilbert & Sullivan.

8.0 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 Eric Coates—Cinderella—A Fantasy.

8.17 Cesar Franck—Symphonic Variations.

Alfred Cortot (Piano) and The London Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Sir London Ronald.

8.32 A Light Orchestra Programme with Miss Kayles (Soprano) and Webster Booth (Tenor).

8.50 London Relay—The News and News Commentaries.

9.30 London Relay—To Talk of Many Things.

9.45 Max Bruch—Concerto No. 1 in G Minor, Op. 26.

In G Minor, Op. 26 (Violin) and the London Symphony Orchestra cond. by Sir London Ronald.

10.10 A Brahms Song.

Ye That Now Are Sorrowful (from Requiem), Hildegard Edmundo (Soprano) with Chorus and Orchestra.

10.25 Brahms—Symphony No. 5 in E Minor, Op. 95 ("The New World").

11.0 Close down.

VAUDEVILLE AT THE Y.M.C.A.

A Vaudeville entertainment has been organised by the Services Section of the Y.M.C.A. to take place in the West Lounge Theatre at the "Y" headquarters Kowloon, on Thursday, October 17 at 8.30 p.m.

The programme promises to be a good one, the following being the Artists who are taking part.

Irene Arceuth, Norman Blinnig, Freddy Clegg, Jack Fountain, John Gilchrist, Gertrude Goddard, "Les" Gibson, Alex Graff, Harold Harrison and Robert Richmond, Stanley Hinchcliffe, William Knight, David Kosick, Vic Laburn, "Mysto" the Memory Man, Ernie Perry, Elvie Yuen, and Norah Wittich.

Stage arrangements are in the hands of "Don" Grant.

All Service-men are welcome. A small charge of 20 cents being made for admission; tickets are now available at Y.M.C.A. counters.

STOCK MARKET REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange Official Summary issued yesterday says: The market continues steady, with small business doing.

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Lands \$30.25
Realities \$3.25
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Electricity (new) \$35.75
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The Public is notified that the office of the War Taxation Department will be closed for business from Saturday, October 19th to Monday, October 21st both days inclusive.

Business with the Public will be resumed on Tuesday, October 22nd at

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Tax falling due on October 19th and 21st will not be regarded as overdue if paid on October 22nd.

A. G. CLARKE

Commissioner of War Taxation,
16th October, 1940.

G. R. H. M. DOCKYARD HONG KONG.

VACANCIES FOR STOREHOUSEMEN.

Four vacancies exist for storehousemen in H.M. Dockyard, Hong Kong. Only applicants between the ages of 25 and 30 years, who are British subjects and of Indian race will be considered. Applications should be made by letter in the candidates' own handwriting stating qualifications, and should reach the Naval Store Officer, H. M. Dockyard, not later than A.M. 21st October.

NOTICE

COLONIAL TREASURY

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ERIC W. PUDNEY,
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FOR THE PROTECTION OF CHILDREN

What to do to help a child

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The informant's name will be kept strictly private, except in cases where malice is proved.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

CONSIDERABLE ADDITIONS TO THE WAR FUND

A total of \$150,000 was received yesterday by the War Fund inaugurated by the H.K. S.P.C. and the latest donations were:

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OCCUPATION SCENES

U.S. Journalist On Indo-China's Plight

"The French troops and civilians in Indo-China were willing to fight the Japanese, but you can't fight if you are given orders not to," declared the American news cameraman and journalist, Mr. Harrison Forman, who has returned to Hongkong after watching the occupation of Hanoi and Haiphong.

Mr. Forman who returned by the Panamanian steamer Wm. Kupper, took the first films of the Nazi bombing of Warsaw.

Hardly had the French troops opened fire in reply to the Japanese when they were ordered to cease firing. The only excuse for the French in Tonkin is that they are nearly all Government servants and consequently dependent upon Vichy for their livelihood. They were told if they did not obey orders they would lose their jobs and be liable to imprisonment and court martial," he said.

"Although they were fighting and the French had been told that if they had desired for Dr. Gaulle, could have paid their salaries."

"In the south and in Saigon there are not nearly so many civil servants as the population is comprised principally of planters and businessmen. I believe they will put up a stronger resistance," he pointed out.

"Because Thailand's demands are backed by an air force of 300 planes and Japanese pressure, the French may be forced to yield again," he said.

No Evacuation Ordered

"No evacuation of Hanoi and Haiphong was ordered and the French were completely at the mercy of Japanese bombers. There were no air raid precautions except the construction of a few ridiculously shallow trenches along the river front."

The Japanese forces in Indo-China were behaving well, mainly because they learned in China that it is impossible to occupy a country and exploit it without co-operation.

There was no looting and no raping. The Japanese military notes, when shops had the courage to refuse, the soldiers produced placards. French women still walked the streets wearing shorts apparently unperturbed.

"It is definitely an occupation and a taking over of the country by the Japanese, who mean to stay. The French can not delude themselves about this," he said.

Mr. Forman said that the Japanese did not confiscate the American motor trucks as they brought their own. He said it was rather amusing to watch the traffic confusion when the Japanese Army trucks first arrived. The Japanese drivers kept to the left, as they did in Tokyo, and the French still kept motoring on the right side of the road and consequently they just head on. After a time the Japanese conformed to the French traffic rules and are now driving on the right.

DISMAY FOR AMERICANS

Cannot Afford To Pay Pro-Rata

Shanghai, Oct. 15. American residents and evacuation organizations are dismayed at the Maritime Commission's announcement of the pro-rata charges, pointing out that a large section of the American community in Shanghai are unable to pay even regular rates to America as a result of three years of wartime business depression. They declare that the emergency liners will probably make the outward passage without cargo, which will therefore increase the economic burden upon homeward passengers. If the companies are to avert losses.

One prominent evacuation organizer said that if Washington desired the evacuation of the majority of Americans they would have to devise rates far below the regular rates, even if Americans agreed to abandon all possessions, on which freight rates would be prohibitive.

Lower Fares Considered

Shanghai, Oct. 15. A large number of American citizens here who had signified their intention to leave Shanghai as soon as possible will be glad to receive news to-day that two more liners are being dispatched to the Far East to take evacuees, an official of the American Chamber of Commerce stated this afternoon. Special lower rates of passage fares for evacuees are being considered.

Hundreds of Americans throughout the Far East who are preparing for evacuation welcomed the news to-day that two more liners were being sent to the Orient to assist in the exodus. Shipping offices here are experiencing almost unprecedented rush of bookings and all lines to-night reported that they were booked to capacity until January.

A special evacuation committee has been established here to help American citizens who are unable to pay the regular rates.

It is understood that the proposal to send the evacuees to Manila was rejected in the light of the experience of British women evacuated from Hongkong.

5,000 Men Are Starving On France Devil's Isle

DEVIL'S ISLAND, famous in picture and story as the severest prison in the world, is reported to have collapsed with the great French Empire which sent it its outcasts.

Eight ragged and sunburned fugitives rescued off Florida on their way to enlist with the forces of General de Gaulle to regain freedom for the country that took their freedom away, brought a story to civilization that the guards, who had once been cruel and merciless, were helping the convicts to escape.

The reason, they said, was that the French Government had forgotten the "isle of lost souls" in the tropic belt of the southern Atlantic. No supply ships had called for weeks and no pay envelopes had been handed out to the island's staff.

Prisoners and captors alike faced starvation, said the fugitives, unless they could escape in whatever ships they could get hold of.

No Food For Months

No longer was it necessary to plot for weeks for an attempt to escape, to trudge through the jungle or to

smuggle away provisions and precious water.

The fugitives, who left Devil's Island in canoes and then borrowed a ship on the waterfront at Trinidad, did not hear the full story of France's collapse until they had landed at Puerto Rico on August 4. They were led by a Breton sailor who served in the French navy in the last war.

Speaking through interpreters, he said: "The French Government sent neither food nor supplies to the island for several months. There are about 5,000 prisoners, including libérés (discharged convicts). We were all libérés. They will all have to leave or starve. We were told to get whatever food we could and leave. This we did. We wanted to sail for Canada and then on to England to fight. There'll be more coming later."

The fugitives were picked up by coastguard authorities off Biscayne Bay, Florida.

Ministry To Increase Eel Fishing Industry

Demonstrations of how to catch eels, sponsored by the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries, are proving so popular that thousands of amateurs are anxious to try their luck. But at present the Ministry are not in a position to supply the "tools."

Before the Nazi invasions Britain was importing from Holland and Denmark over 2,000 tons of eels every year, and the demand was increasing. Eel boats bringing their live catches to Billingsgate—under a charter that has existed since the times of the Stuarts—were a familiar sight to Londoners on Thames-side.

Now the Ministry experts are holding a series of demonstrations to show how simple it is to catch eels. They have been held in Dorset, Norfolk, Somerset and this week they are being held in the Fen District.

More of Them

An official said: "Eels are far more numerous than they are in Holland. They can be found in every river, stream and pond throughout the country. The success of the Dutch industry was due to their expertness in their method of capture by means of eel pikes, a kind of silk net."

"During the last few years the Dutch waters have been over-fished, while ours have been largely untouched."

"Our difficulty at the moment is the production in this country of eel pikes of the Dutch type. Various experiments with other and cheaper nets have been made, but they have not been successful. Cotton nets, for instance, were found to be far less strong and rotted quickly in fresh water."

They Sacked Him

"It is doubtful whether pikes could be produced in appreciable quantities before the New Year."

"Compared with other forms of fishing eel catching is simple."

The Ministry have had the assistance in their demonstrations of one of the most experienced Dutchmen in the industry.

This man has now been discharged as he was on alien

Invitation To Lectures

Dr. Winifred Cullis

It is emphasised that to men as well as to women, a cordial invitation is extended to attend the public lectures to be given in Hongkong by Professor Winifred Cullis, D.Sc., M.A., D.C.

Professor Cullis is to speak at the Helena May Institute to-morrow at 5.30 p.m. and again at the Y.M.C.A., Kowloon, on October 24 at 9.15 p.m. What she will have to say will be of great interest to the entire English-speaking community, as she will give some details of Britain at war and the effort that is being made by every man and woman, not only to resist a possible German invasion but towards completing the preparations for a great counter-offensive.

Professor Cullis is an inspiring messenger, and having personally experienced some of the bombing raids in London and south-west England, is able to give first hand details of the morale of the people and their utmost confidence in an ultimate victory for democracy, as well as of their astounding ability to "stand up to it." Admission to the meetings is free.

The following programme of activities has been mapped out for Professor Cullis for the week—A reception in her honour will be held at the Hongkong University to-day, and another at the Y.V.C.A. on Monday at 4.30 p.m. To-morrow Professor Cullis will speak at a public meeting at the Helena May Institute at 5.30 p.m. and again on October 24 at the Y.M.C.A., Kowloon, at 9.15 p.m. She will address the Ladies Working Party at Government House on Friday at 10.30 a.m. and that at the Peninsula Hotel on October 25.

Lindbergh Criticises Government

For Foreign Policy

Washington, Oct. 14. Colonel Charles Lindbergh in a broadcast this evening said that the American people have lost confidence in the Government leaders and charged that they were leading the country into war. He said that the results of the November elections would determine the entire future of America and its system of life.

"Our votes next November can either bring about a disastrous war," he declared. "We can throw the world into chaos or we can lead it to new heights of civilisation. We do not question the need for armaments or for reform or for a better economic system. What we do question is the leadership that has brought these conditions upon us."

"We have alienated the most powerful military nations in both Europe and Asia. We find the same man who led us into the greatest national debt in our history now telling us that we are weak and unprepared and that we must appropriate billions and devote more years in building military forces. With intelligent leadership, we could have built an impregnable defence without disturbing, seriously, our national life and industry. The same thing is happening that happened to England and France. They have been led into debt and weakness. Now we are being led into war."

Country Unprepared

New York, Oct. 14. Mr. Wendell Willkie, Republican candidate for President, in a speech from his train en route to Syracuse, said that he feared that President Roosevelt "by a reckless statement, may do something or say something that will drive this peaceful country into war when it is wholly unprepared."

Duchess Of Kent As A Nurse

London, Oct. 15. It has now been revealed that the Duchess of Kent has been working at University College Hospital under the name of "Sister Kay" for the last three months to complete the necessary number of hours' training to qualify fully as a nursing auxiliary. Only a few of the staff knew her identity and several patients had commented on the fact that "Sister Kay" bore a surprising resemblance to the Duchess of Kent.

When the Duke of Kent, as President of the Hospital, recently paid a visit the Duchess was presented to him with other nurses and stood in a group at the entrance which cheered her husband as he left the hospital—British Wireless.

Mercantile Losses Decline To Half

London, Oct. 15. Mercantile losses from enemy action in the week ended at midnight on October 6 showed a further decline from the higher figures reached a fortnight previously, and were, in fact, little more than half the average weekly loss of 57,000 tons during the previous 16 weeks.

The losses for the week were seven British vessels totalling 24,943 tons gross, two allied vessels of 2,404 tons gross, and one neutral vessel of 3,087 tons gross, making in all 10 vessels totalling 31,094 tons.

The German claims for this particular week were 31,816 tons—nearly three times the actual tonnage sunk—British Wireless.

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TURKISH PLEDGE

Will Keep Faith With Greece

Bucharest, Oct. 15. Political circles declare that the Turkish Ambassador has informed the United States and Soviet representatives that his Government will respect all engagements towards Greece and that all modifications of the status quo in Greece would be considered in Ankara as a direct menace.

At the same time he indicated that opinion at Ankara was that the concentration of Italian and German troops has the Dardanelles and Syria as its immediate objectives and that Turkey will fight to the last.

Finally, it is said that such an attack would precipitate the resistance of the three Moslem states, namely, Egypt, Syria, and Turkey. All Turkish subjects in Rumania have been advised to liquidate their affairs by November 1 in order to be ready to leave quickly in case of emergency.

Country Remains Calm

Istanbul, Oct. 15. Disturbed by the German occupation of Rumania, Turkey awaits developments calmly. Opinion is still divided upon the German objectives, some thinking that the occupation is a preoccupation of the Balkans, and others that it is a threat to the Balkans.

Another opinion is that the occupation of Rumania is part of the declared Axis intention to gain mastery of the Mediterranean, in which case Turkey would have to reckon with a German attempt to force a crossing of the Straits and Anatolia, while Greece would be faced with invasion both from Bulgaria and Albania.

Diplomatic circles anticipate that the conversion of Rumania into a potential base of military operations against the Mediterranean will lead to still closer military collaboration between Britain and Turkey—Reuter.

Friendly Aliens

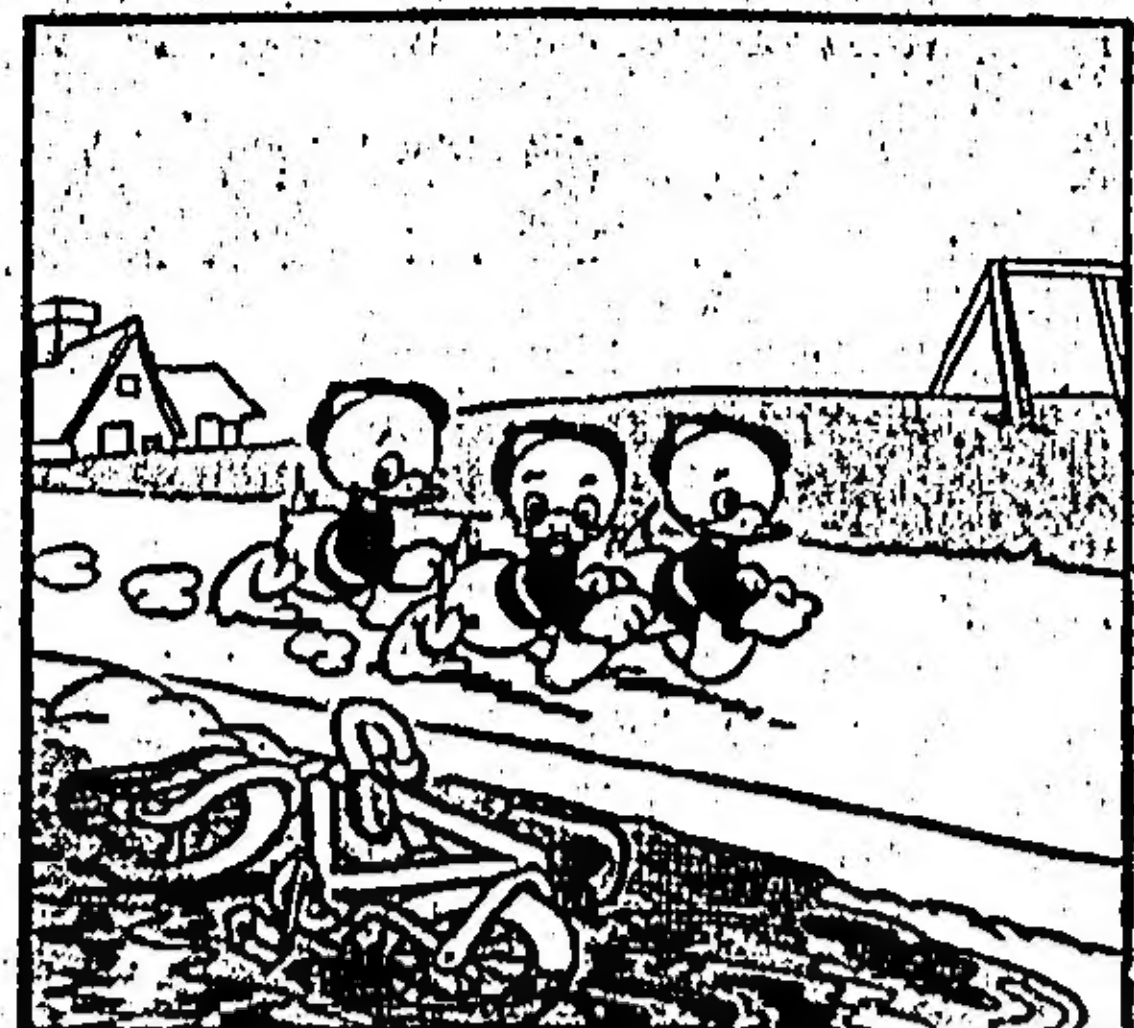
"Un-English" Panic

Mr. E. G. Hemminger, K.C., Recorder of Liverpool, made the following comments: "Recently the shameful and un-English treatment of friendly aliens, guests of this country—mostly harmless, many of them useful; or even distinguished—shows to what depths of inhumanity the untrained mind can sink when frightened and unreasoning."

"Judicial, are given their heads. In a war, which most of us hold to be the noblest, bravest, and most unselfish that our country has ever fought, we should be meticulous careful that nothing that concerns the administration of justice is done in haste, prejudice or panic."

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MAGAZINE PAGE

"We Are Not Alone"

FROM THE NOVEL BY JAMES HILTON

I WAS in Calderbury a few weeks ago and as I passed the corner of Shawgate I noticed that workmen were pulling down the old house. One of the inside walls was exposed to view, and on it hung what seemed, at a distance, to be a picture that no one had bothered about. Even while I watched, it was taken down by a workman, and later I saw it handed over to someone in the little crowd which, in days of unemployment, and especially in a place like Calderbury, always collects around any scene of activity.

He was a young man of perhaps thirty, slim and not at all robust-looking, attractive in an eager, ascetic way, and rather shy in manner as he took the picture, wrapped it in a newspaper that he carried, and tried to slip away unobserved. But the crowd turned their slow curious eyes on him and someone called out: "Let's have a look, mister." At that he almost bolted, crossing the road at a tangent, and colliding with me on the opposite curb. The picture fell with a tinkle, and I made some apologetic remark, though it was really his own fault. He answered: "Oh, it doesn't matter—the glass was smashed already."

With a tidy gesture which I liked in him he began to kick the glass fragments into the gutter, away from danger to passing

brought me into the world I didn't mean in the ordinary sense. You see, I'm his son. I told him then my name, adding: "I think we met years ago. At children's parties."

"Do you mean that you no longer believe he was guilty?" He shot the question at me so abruptly that its awkwardness came as a challenge. "The evidence I gave was true enough, as far as it went." "Yes, of course. I never doubted it. You saw my mother going into the house at a certain time, and you saw the other two leaving the house at a certain time. Ample opportunity. And a surgery full of poison. Logic. What more could you ask? He wasn't guilty. She wasn't either."

"I must admit if I had known what use was going to be made of my evidence I'd have kept it to myself. I always liked the little doctor."



The picture Gerald found in the ruined house.

traffic. I joined him in this usefulness, and while we were both busy, I said: "I don't know what sort of treasure you're got, but I suppose you know who used to live in that house they're pulling down."

"Oh, yes," he answered. "The little doctor. Did you know him?"

"Fairly well. I liked him. He cured me of asthma."

He laughed. "Well, that's certainly a good reason for liking him. I wonder if mine is as good. He brought me into the world."

We walked along some way in silence, wondering perhaps whether each was inclined for the other's company. Presently he said: "I suppose you remember the case?"

"You mean the—Calderbury case?"

"Is that what you call it? I didn't realise it was quite so famous. I've been abroad a long time."

"Simple enough. I'd been quarantined with an aunt and uncle who lived at the other end of town. I was lonely and miserable with them. Just a prisoner in an enormous shabby vicarage. That evening war was declared—every one was so excited that I had my first chance to escape. I went to the surgery. It was always fun there, but that afternoon more than usual, because—well, because a cupboard usually kept locked was half open."

"Ah, yes, I remember the evidence about that."

"I had a nice game with some bottles, taking the cork out and sniffing. Suddenly I heard footsteps in the hall. I was scared. I shut the cupboard as quick as I could and pushed away the bottles on the shelf where there were other bottles. Presently Mother came in and found me. 'You here,' she began, but she didn't grumble as much as I'd expected. Then she went to the shelf and took some pills out of a bottle. 'I've got a bad head,' she said—and I went to my bedroom. So I did—and that was the end of it. I was all quite by accident, you see."

THE END

U.S.A. Plans Mechanised Army

By JULIUS C. EDELSTEIN
United Press Staff Correspondent

Representative Ross A. Collins, Mississippi Democrat and long-time advocate of a mechanised army, recently outlined to the House of Representatives a detailed prospectus on changes which have been made necessary in the Army by the development of the "blitzkrieg" technique in modern warfare.

Collins pointed out that he had advocated expansion of the air force and mechanisation of the land armies since 1930, and that the United States to-day faced the task of completely overhauling and streamlining its armed forces. Collins denounced the theory of "mass armies." He urged the creation of a comparatively small, highly mechanised, powerfully equipped land force, preceded by clouds of planes and headed by columns of tanks.

He urged army leaders to plan for an army which would be better than the German forces, more completely mechanised, and possessed of greater firing power.

He demanded the United States acquire a vast fleet of pursuit planes, long range bombers, and swift fighting or attack planes. He said that an army air force of 10,000 to 20,000 combat planes, with the pilots to fly them, would be a reasonable compromise between the present air force and President Roosevelt's goal of 50,000 planes.

Collins said a highly mechanised army, with properly equipped and trained technicians, would displace the need for military conscription, or for mass infantry forces. He urged unification of the army branches, and the abolition of the "separatism" of the air corps, the infantry, the cavalry, and signal corps.

Highlights of his comprehensive statement to the House follow:

"Up to now the desire of the War Department has been for men and still more men. Let us pray that those in charge to-day possess the courage and the wisdom to forget the obsolete idea of the power of numbers and begin to plan to fight according to the 1940 model.

"Men without the equipment for fighting modern battles are very sorry objects. The modern fighting machine is measured in terms of its fire power, or ability to discharge explosive and throw projectiles, including gas, just as the modern machine is measured in terms of horsepower.

"We would think very little of the latest stream lined automobile if it had a motor with only one cylinder, even though it was all nicely decorated with fresh paint, had a radio that played, and carried a lot of flags and insignia of rank. Similarly, I think very little of an army implemented with rifles, no matter how well its blue uniforms fit and no matter how well it can execute the ceremonies of the parade ground.

"Further, I cannot imagine anything more tragic than nicely trained marching men in front of machine-gun fire, much less 60-ton armoured tanks, flame-throwing land-battlehips, and diving airplanes. China, Poland, Denmark, Norway, Holland, and Belgium were some of the nations that prepared for war according to the obsolete 1914 plan.

"A manpower army, besides lacking fire power and modern methods, is also deficient in another respect: it lacks the most vital attributes of a successful fighting force: mobility and surprise. These are two factors that are paramount in armed conflict to-day, and always.

"To get them an army must be broken into relatively cohesive units. It must also possess the fastest means of transportation available; and, in addition, it must be able to move into the protection of armour against the type of weapons it will have to face."

"It will not be a white-collar war but one using the latest machinery and new and unheard of devices to inflict casualties upon its adversary. Marching men do not frighten anyone in this day and age. They are only targets, helpless and confused, lit for slaughter.

"Let us not hark back to the teachings of a hundred years ago and assemble multitudes of young men trained to 'fours right' and 'fours left' with equipment that should have been junked many years ago. Instead let us train these young men to be scientists, chemists, mechanics, and skilled workers in order to bring into being modern war weapons that will inflict the maximum of death and destruction upon the enemy and at the same time save the lives of our own fighting forces.

"Our preparation must give evidence of inclination and capacity to do more than merely struggle up to the standards and achievements set by the German Army. Our congressional and military leadership must so develop in mental and physical capacity that it creates and brings into being a military force of such war initiative and foresight that it is superior to our potential enemies. It is not a question of becoming 'as good as.' It must be 'better than.' Anything else is, of course, an absolute waste of money.

"A mere handful of combat airplanes or tanks will simply be lost in the first clash, with the result that we will be forced back to unarmed manpower and the battleaxe cannon-fodder system with which we are so familiar.

"If we are going to have a tremendous air force and sufficient mechanised divisions to be worth while, we cannot pay, equip, and take care of a tremendous mass of infantry; neither can we provide more than about one-sixth of the field artillery necessary to protect these infantrymen if we are, fortunate enough ever to get them into a battle position. The targets presented by such masses would

simply be meat for the other fellow's fast-moving air and mechanised elements.

"We should aim at nothing less than 25 mechanised divisions of about 9,000 men to the division. This is probably the easiest part of a programme to get through industry because of our tremendous automobile plant capacity. Mechanised divisions must be of various types and their tanks must range from the light to the heavy types.

"Those with the light types will possess but little armour protection. Their object is accomplished by what may be termed concentrated diversion so that no targets are presented or only fleeting ones. Those divisions with heavy types, where the armour of the tanks is capable of standing up against the normal anti-tank gun now handled by mass infantry, will require actual artillery, not anti-tank guns, to stop them.

"Division motorised vehicles for light infantry must be provided. By light infantry is meant real sharpshooters, and in comparatively small numbers, armed with the best of rifles. They are men who will present almost no target but who will be able to hit the smallest whenever they do use their weapons.

"Machine guns for these forces should be on low, small, armoured cars operated by not more than two men. The Air Corps has provided a fine example in having one man operate the pursuit airplane and be its pilot, crew, gunner, and bomber. In other parts of the army we are inclined to the greatest waste of men.

"The tremendous value of mechanised units has been amply proved in the land warfare abroad. Lightning warfare, of the type we are now seeing so powerfully executed abroad, is dependent, first of all, on highly mobile armoured columns which cut themselves loose from supply systems as we have normally understood them and which break down resistance from the rear in a way new to warfare."

ORDEAL BY SPITFIRE

ON THE S.E. COAST.

High above the white cliffs of England throughout this brilliant summer's day German and British airmen have been fighting out one of the greatest air battles of the war, now in its tenth day.

On no previous occasion during this period of tremendous air warfare have I seen and heard so much activity.

Wave after wave of German bombers have passed over my head. Air fighting has been incessant. The woomp of bombs still rumbles in my ears and even now I can picture the most terrifying sight of the day—a direct hit by an anti-aircraft shell on a Dornier loaded with bombs.

THE ONE-WAY STREET.

The end of it all is that squadrons of Hurricanes and Spitfires are now slowly and calmly patrolling the Channel in great swoops out to sea, whilst fire engines, military and R.A.F., are dashing for miles around the countryside clearing up wreckage of Messerschmitts and Dorniers.

As usual in this hot spot we have seen most of the fighting from a narrow stretch of coast which the R.A.F. have turned into a one-way street for the German bombers. They allow them to come in but not to return.

It all began soon after breakfast, when scores of bombers escorted by fighters tried to approach the coast but failed to penetrate the barrage. The R.A.F. engaged them at a tremendous height, and in a few seconds planes were falling from the sky in all directions.

Four Nazis fell in a nearby town, two more crashed into the sea, and a third broke up into fragments after the pilot had baled out. I watched him drift slowly downwards, at first a tiny speck of white high in the blue. He took nearly 15 minutes before he reached the sea.

Then I saw one of those gallant rescues for which the Navy and R.A.F. deserve highest praise. The Nazi pilot was bobbing about in the water two miles from the beach when a motor-boat—risking the now familiar treachery of German dive bombers and machine-guns—set out to the rescue at high speed.

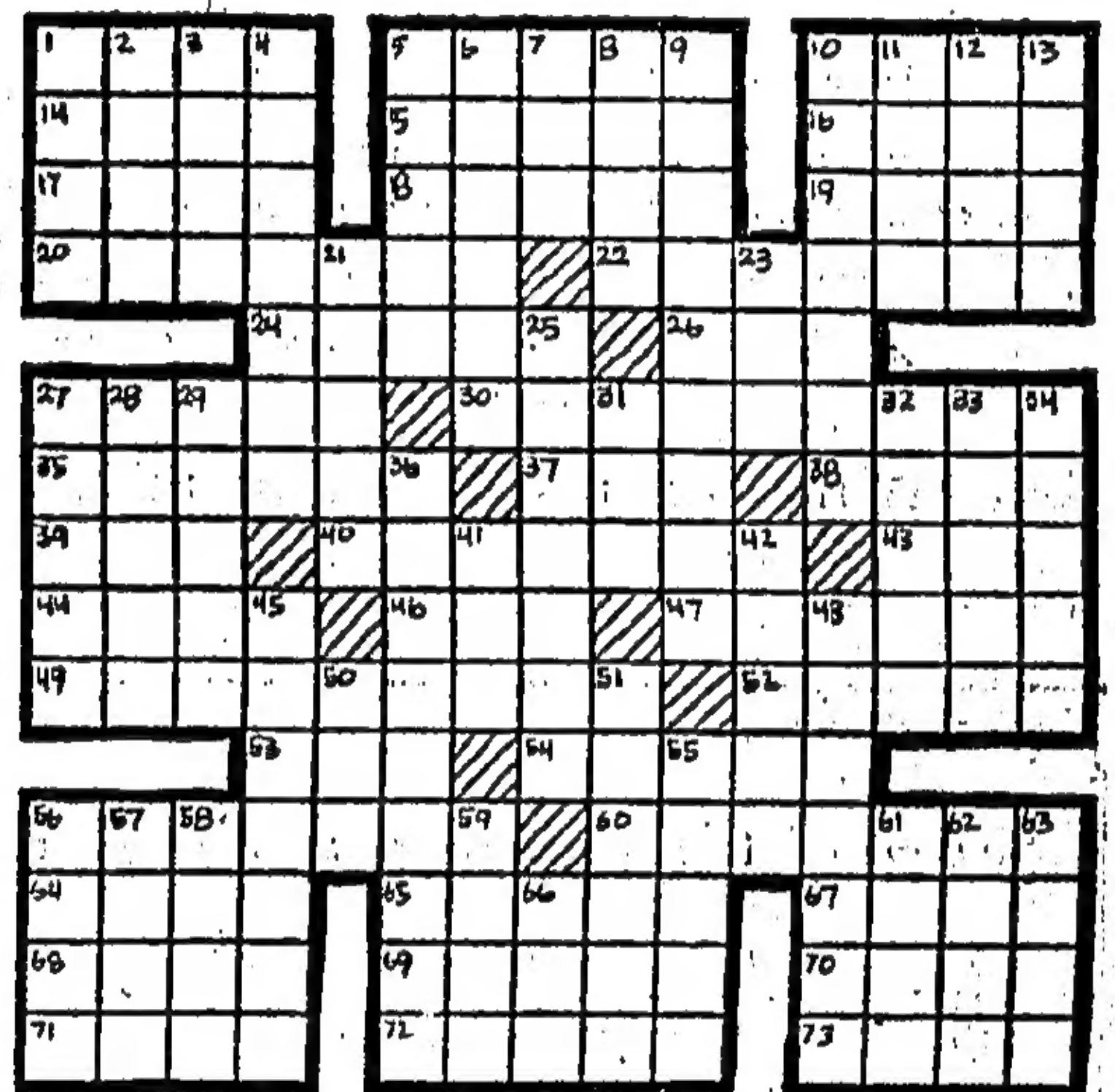
Two Hurricanes showed the motor-boat the way, by circling around the airman and diving repeatedly towards him. Thanks to this manoeuvre the sailors soon had him aboard. They were repaid for their humanity to an enemy airman by being able to pick up a British pilot who, shortly afterwards, came down into the sea by parachute close to their homeward route.

Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

ACROSS
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3—Family residence
4—Last night
5—Pertaining to bone
6—To forward
7—Tee-shaped
8—Port at dead sea entrance
9—Spiritual neurishment
10—Military meal
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A CALL TO THE BALKANS

THESE days most people are turning to each other with the questions "What do you think Bulgaria will do?" "Is Rumania going to become another Indo-China?" "Will Turkey fight for us if necessary?" "Will Russia give the Nazis a free hand?" "Is Greece going to let us use her naval bases when we want them?"

The series of questions goes on and the dreadful answers are slowly and inexorably churned out by the Nazi-Fascist machine. They are dreadful answers because millions of peaceful people whose narrow lives should never have encompassed more than their own domain, are being tortured to death by that machine. Turn suddenly from parochial pursuits they learn that the old evils they hoped they had buried with their school days have become a reality. The Hun is on the war path again and his monstrous modernised hordes have taken the pitiless path of conquest. The Italian has donned his armour and aspires to become a Roman controlling the destinies of the world.

Heroic pictures these in the pageantry of this tumultuous little tea cup of a world. They ignore the intolerance, deliberate cruelty, hate and greed that fuels the machine. They discount the millions of young lives that were born to fructify but were instead, sacrificed for causes which they never fully understood and which their ancestors and predecessors also fought for in vain.

Happily a defence is always found for the most terrifying form of attack. Against the spirit of conquest and all that it implies in this day, there has arisen the latent determination of the British spirit. Self-preservation, the retention of our way of living and a firm defiance of the will to subdue, has stirred us to a pitch which is only heightened by reverse but will, when our sword is sharpened to its keenest edge, bear us on to victory as inexorably as the evil forces of Germany and Italy are spreading over Europe to-day.

One can only desire that the little nations of the Balkans will call to their internal disputes, which have been many and long. Standing singly in suspicion of their neighbours and far from the example of a free, democratic people, they are easy spoil for the Nazi military-cum-agreement machines. The things they make, the food they grow, the armies they drill, will be moulded into weapons against themselves by their Nazi masters unless a bold blow for freedom is struck in time to rouse the spark that will set Eastern Europe to flame against the Axis.

Unhappily the Balkans have nearly suffered oppression of some form or another from their own rulers and classes and governments. It remains to be seen whether ardour for their own land has not been quenched utterly. A new enemy to Hitlerism in Eastern Europe will help our cause; a reluctant victim will only give it more justice.

NAZI AIR STRATEGY?

THE question most people are asking is whether the British air victory has halted the German invasion plans. The answer depends on whether the air attack is a thing apart or was intended as the preliminary to invasion.

All the evidence available points to the attack being a challenge to the strength of the R.A.F. and a series of defeats inflicted on us might very well have brought forward one of the enemy schemes to land troops in Britain.

On the trial of strength may have depended the whole future of German invasion policy, which was framed on limitations and relied on winning mastery in the air before it could be made effective as a plan.

The long-drawn-out combat has given air supremacy in the combat to Britain. The R.A.F. has won the first great battle in the history of military aviation and won it by a margin we ourselves hardly hoped to attain, confident though our air-men were that they had a better force than the Germans, even if smaller.

The day of decision came, when over a thousand, perhaps 1,600, aeroplanes were launched on us. The strategy was to

weaken us at some point by causing withdrawal of our squadrons to defend a main danger area.

Had that policy succeeded, no doubt a waiting force of machines would have smashed in at the denuded spot. But we withdrew nothing and each area retained its own strength. The whole of our fighters were not used. Our reserve strength remained unimpaired. We won at every point.

On Saturday, Marshal Goering conferred alone with Hitler. It would not be a pleasant interview, with the strength of nearly 50 squadrons lost in nine days and as many again rendered unserviceable for some time. The averages before the pair at this meeting would be 82 machines and 200 men lost per day, with the top note for one day revealing 180 aeroplanes destroyed and 450 pilots and gunners lost.

On those figures came a quiet day, something of a renewal of the old. An air-escorted Army is ruled out on the general showing, and it is said that Hitler has ordered a blockade of England, which means increased attacks on shipping and the use of small naval craft.

TWO MONTHS' WORK

Hitler still talks in terms of a blockade though he cannot impose one. He is asking neutrals to be left that the siege of Britain has begun as a result of the R.A.F. being rendered impotent. Note that he does not speak of invasion.

PARCELS FOR PRISONERS

The Red Cross and St. John War Organisation has issued a statement showing what may or may not be sent, and how things may be sent, to prisoners of war in Germany.

The International Convention provides that not later than one week after his arrival in a prison camp a prisoner can send a post-card to his family telling them of his capture and the state of his health.

If the post is delayed, the family may not receive this for some time. Officers may send three letters and four postcards each month; other ranks, two letters and four postcards. All correspondence to and from prisoners of war goes post free. Photographs may not be included.

Letters to prisoners should not exceed two sides of a sheet of notepaper—they should be posted in the ordinary way, but without a stamp—and not sent to the Red Cross Organisation. The sender should write his name and address on the back of the envelope, unless he is a member of his Majesty's Forces, in which case he must give the address of a friend or relative in this country, and arrange for letters so addressed to be forwarded to him.

Letters cannot be sent to a prisoner unless the camp address is known. The form of address is:—

PRISONERS OF WAR POST NO. KRIEGSGEFANGEN POST. STAMP Service No., Rank, Name, British Prisoner of War (No. if known) Camp Germany.

No attempt should be made to communicate with prisoner through people in neutral countries. No telegrams are allowed.

GIFTS OF CLOTHING

Relatives may send by ordinary parcel post (no special label is needed) suitable clothes and toilet accessories to the Clothing Section, St. James's, as soon as the permanent camp address is known. Only one 10lb. parcel (not counting packing) may be sent. Items which make the parcel overweight cannot be returned.

The name and address of the prisoner and the name and address of the sender should be clearly written on the outside and inside of the parcel. A list of the contents must be included. The following items are suggested:—

1 shirt, 1 pair pants, 1 vest, socks, towel, blanket, pullover, handkerchiefs, brush and comb, hussar, windcheater, grey flannel trousers, shoes, toothbrush and toothpaste in tin, pipe, razor, blades, shaving stick.

No tubes, jars, or bottles are allowed. The following clothes must not be sent:—

Complete suits, coloured trousers, sports coats or blazers, palmers, or any kind of overcoat or jacket.

Prisoners whose relatives cannot give clothing, or can only give part of the parcel, will be supplied from

Red Cross stocks as soon as possible.

It is hoped to be able to send a second parcel, which may contain uniform, when all prisoners have been supplied with essentials. But it may not be possible to send a clothing parcel again before the winter. Relatives should therefore collect warm underwear, woollies, stout and comfortable shoes, and if possible a light blanket. No food, tobacco, or chocolate can be included in a clothing parcel.

FOOD, BOOKS AND GAMES

The only food allowed to be sent is contained in the Red Cross Standard parcels which the Censor rigidly controls. Food (carefully analysed by a dietitian), soap, tobacco and cigarettes, costing approximately 10s. a week, are sent to each prisoner, whether or not financial contributions are received for individuals. As the expense is met entirely by the Red Cross Society and Order of St. John, donations towards the cost are welcomed, and postal orders should be made out to "Red Cross and St. John Fund, Prisoners of War Account," and sent to the Appeal Secretary, St. James's Palace, London, S.W.1.

Books, music, packs of cards, games, sporting equipment, etc., may be sent direct to prisoners through firms holding a permit to send printed matter abroad. They include:—

Army and Navy Stores, Books, Harrods, Lilliput, Meccano, Selfridges, W.H. Smith and Son, "The Times" Book Club, and Trueman and Hanson. The Educational Book Section arranges for books to be sent to prisoners wishing to study special subjects.

INVALID COMFORTS

The Invalid Comforts Section sends every four weeks consignments of household drugs, bandages, lint, tonics and invalid foods and comforts for use in cases of illness or minor injuries. Relatives of a prisoner can send to the Invalid Comforts Section medicines or special remedies direct from their own chemist, to be included in these parcels. At the request of the relatives, or the senior officer of the camp, individual food parcels can be arranged for serious or chronic cases requiring special diet. In place of the ordinary weekly food parcels, men known to be in hospital are sent a special parcel for four weeks.

Seventy-five cigarettes (or the equivalent amount in tobacco) are sent to the camps for each prisoner every week. The personal parcels service, by which next-of-kin can send a parcel every three months to a prisoner of war, is temporarily suspended. Listed in the paragraph above about clothing should be sent to St. James's Palace.

The department dealing with the subject is the Prisoners of War Department, War Organisation of the Red Cross and St. John, St. James's Palace, London, S.W.1.

FUNNY SIDE UP

By Abner Dean



"I hear the firm is giving you two weeks vacation at MY desk, Mr. Peopple!"

In looking back at the fighting it seems that the attacks in the South were meant to draw strength from the East Coast and leave the industrial areas unprotected. Had we drawn any squadrons South, we could have given the enemy casualties at the ratio of eight to one instead of the four to one achieved by dependence on local forces.

Clearly, we defeated enemy strategy in that way and beat him tactically at the same time. The air attack has been going on for two months, and, from zero to peak, it has the following course:—

1. Reconnaissance flights to locate warship distribution in the North Sea;
2. Raids against shipping to test our convoy defence;
3. Raids on our coasts reconnoitring defensive strength;
4. Attempts to drive shipping from the Channel;
5. Raids on the coast and Channel by a hundred aeroplanes involving losses of three to one;
6. Wider radius with 300 machines and losses four to one;
7. Attack increased to 500 and losses six to one; victory propaganda to cover losses;
8. Massed attack by 1,500 over wide area and losses five to one, per- haps six to one, victory bulletins of amazing success for German arms to hide the truth;
9. Temporary halt in the German attack with a probable loss of 650 machines during August and estimated loss of 1,600 pilots and gunners; local attacks renewed yesterday.

One of the German objectives is to drive our shipping to the West of England harbours and cause a dis- tribution of naval strength to that trial areas unprotected. Had we drawn any squadrons South, we could have given the enemy casualties at the ratio of eight to one instead of the four to one achieved by dependence on local forces.

The policy is shown by the enemy's claim to have accomplished this. Actually he has failed to divert shipping, British or Neutral, or to disturb naval distribution.

OUR ADVANTAGE

Hitler is not likely to accept his air defeat as anything but a temporary setback, and will try again. He cannot move an army or an air- borne force without air supremacy, and he has embarked on a plan of wearing the R.A.F. down. But our force grows stronger every week with Home and Dominion intakes.

We have a pull in the matter of equipment, with hydraulic gun tur- rets working round the whole com- pass. The Germans, with fixed guns, fire in one direction. What we may expect is enemy reliance on dive bombers, covered by fighters over- head to secure air-borne landings or surface raids.

The Hurricanes and Spitfires, the ground defence, the troops on shore, and the Navy adopt are more than a match for any such onslaught. And, as matters stand, the movement of a large German Army across the sea is still an unsolved problem for the enemy, and the vital one for him.

It he could draw our strength South, a raid from Norway might be risked. But probably the air defeat has cast all plans into a fluid state by upsetting the schedule and time- table for the first time.

BRUSSELS— A DEAD CITY

From A Belgian Correspondent

Belgians who were in Brussels during the first weeks of the German occupation, and have since succeeded in escaping to neutral countries, state that the absence of transport and raw materials prevents any return to normal economic life in Belgium and Northern France.

Hundreds of bridges have disappeared, and the wooden structures which have taken their places are not strong enough to bear trains or motor-cars, except at a snail's pace. Traffic on the canals is also painfully slow on account of the obstructions caused by debris from wrecked bridges, and many railway and canal routes are entirely unusable.

Brussels, formerly so lively and gay, has become a dead city, according to these informants. Tramscars do not run after 9.30 p.m., and few cars are to be seen as the military authorities have requisitioned many and petrol is difficult to get.

Motor-tourism no longer of use for the army have been resold by the Germans to commercial and industrial firms, who use them for goods transport.

Food has been severely rationed and there is destitution everywhere. Anyone who has cash available buys articles of prime necessity whenever he has the chance.

Most of the cafes are open, but when Germans enter the Belgian customers fall silent and soon begin to leave, one by one, without waiting to finish their drinks.

It is evident, however, that the Germans have received instructions to show politeness and even kindness on every occasion. With an ostentation which makes the Belgians laugh, the Germans give up their places in the trams to old or infirm passengers, and in the streets they are to be seen giving cigarettes to beggars.

man is paraded through the streets with manacled wrists.

When the German troops pass by the Belgian public look the other way. There was a great military review in Brussels, outside the Royal Palace, some days after the Belgian Fete Nationale, but few Belgians turned out for it.

In spite of the hatred felt towards the invader, however, the Belgians will need even more courage than in the last War if they are to preserve their faith and hope.

They are finding it hard to explain the swift defeat of their army and especially to account for the catastrophic collapse of France. They are so mistrustful of German propaganda that they suspend judgment on a great number of questions, but the fact that King Leopold III, in retirement in his chateau at Lucien, near Brussels, regards himself as a prisoner and does not treat with the invader, supports their morale.

The German propagandists try to console the working classes by declaring that all employers, whether they have raw materials at least three-quarters of their pre-war employees.

A less skilful policy is followed with the farming community, who see even more clearly than the industrial workers that the Germans will bring them nothing but ruin. The industrialists and financiers are courted in a thousand ways.

Several Brussels theatres have reopened and turned themselves into music-halls. They are frequented only by Germans and the less desirable elements among the city population. Honest citizens meet in little groups behind friendly doors, and it is already clear that intellectual as well as political activity will be carried on underground. So far, however, Belgians are still able to pay a German soldier who failed to show respect to civilians, and the guilty are few traitors.

Around The Courses

Activities At Fanling

Preparations For The Amateur Championship

KOWLOON-HAPPY VALLEY MATCH

(By "Birdie")

THOUGHTS AT FANLING are mainly concerned with the coming Amateur Championship which will be played on Sunday, October 27. As from Monday the Royal Hongkong Golf Club has been open to members of outside Clubs who have entered the competition, and some of those players have already been active over both the New and Old Courses.

There is no gainsaying that the R.H.K.G.C. course is the course of the Colony, and, as foremost Golf Club and the only Club with 36 holes, is best suited to conduct the championship.

But there is the obvious factor that must be something of a handicap to outside golfers and that is the playing on a strange course. I do not write this as something that could be remedied; it is, I think, just an unfortunate fact.

The throwing open of the course two weeks before the Championship is a generous allowance by the Committee of the R.H.K.G.C. and if all outside competitors could get away for those two weeks and devote their time to playing out there, they would be able to digest the topography of the course in that period and the Championship day would have no drawbacks.

I had a score card that was given to me some time ago, tabulated so that a graph of one's scores could be made. Those between 100 and 120 are tabulated. "If you are in this class you are neglecting your golf." Scores between 90 and 99 are "The Danger Zone"; but scores between 70 and 89 are "If you are in this class you are neglecting your business."

This apparently doesn't hold good for Hongkong, for only a few of our top-notchers can get away for the whole of the practice period at Fanling. However, this, as I have said, is only a comment on fact.

THE end of this week should see the sand greens at the Country Club, Sheungshui, in playing condition again. The rains had caked them almost as hard as concrete, and it was impossible to pitch on them and hope to stay.

The season is only just starting, and the full roll have not yet commenced to play, but I would reiterate once more the request that greater attention be paid to conditions of the sand in bunkers and on the greens.

Footsteps in bunkers should be along the shortest line of approach to the ball and should be obliterated

after a shot has been played, and shoes with protruberances that are likely to corrugate the surface of the greens should not be worn.

AT a recent meeting of the Country Club Committee, Mr. F. E. D'Almada Remedios was elected Captain of the Club. He will probably play himself in on November 10, which is the date of the annual "At Home".

On this latter date the usual competitions will be held. There will be driving, ladder and clock golf, approaching, and in all probability a Tombstone competition.

The Committee also hope to inaugurate Dorey Pool competitions at more regular periods, and a match is being sought with the Kowloon Golf Club.

THE bi-annual match between the Kowloon G. C. and Happy Valley comes off this Sunday. Sixteen-a-side, with two reserves, who also play, the match commences at 9 a.m. with the singles, and four-balls are played in the afternoon after tea. The latter are usually extremely jolly affairs!

Kowloon is sending a full complement of 10 members into the Championship at Fanling, and it is expected that K. S. McKenzie, one of their newer members who has recently arrived from Australia where his handicap was 6, should figure prominently in the Visitor's Cup.

STARTING times for Sunday's match are (Kowloon players named first):

MORNING

9.00 & 10.30 a.m. R. K. Collins & D. S. Ford
9.30 & 10.30 a.m. A. J. Dennis & A. McKellar
9.10 & 10.40 a.m. H. F. Phillips & A. C. I. Bowker
9.15 & 10.45 a.m. J. Hillier & D. Humphreys

Manila Swimming Team Arriving Per Schedule

Advice from Manila was received yesterday by Mr. A. O. Barretto, Hon. Secretary of the Victoria Recreation Club, that the Philippines' Interport swimming team will be arriving in Hongkong as per schedule on October 22, Tuesday next, by the Kamo Maru.

Next difficulty, which will probably be easily overcome, is the obtaining permission for the foreign delegates to land in Hongkong.

The Interport Swimming Meet, therefore, will be held on October 23, 24 and 25—Wednesday, Thursday and Friday—next week.

Airmen Beat A. A. Gunners

R.A.F. defeated 7th A.A. 3-2 in an Army Shield football match at Chatham Road yesterday. The score was two-all at half-time.

R.A.F. goals were scored by T. Bartlett (2) and S. Munfield, and the 7th A.A. goals by S. Willis and C. Thorne.

H.K.C.C. Cricket XI

The following will represent the Hongkong C.C. against Craggengower C.C. in a cricket match on Saturday.

9.20 & 10.20 a.m. K. S. McKenzie & W. Sharpe
9.25 & 10.55 a.m. A. L. Eastman & T. Low
9.30 & 11.00 a.m. W. C. Simpson & H. Mundy
9.35 & 11.05 a.m. W. V. Ahern & A. D. Humphreys
9.40 & 11.10 a.m. E. C. Fincher & H. Smith
9.45 & 11.15 a.m. W. A. Ramsay & G. E. Willerton
9.50 & 11.20 a.m. W. A. Stewart & D. Forbes
9.55 & 11.25 a.m. P. C. Barry & A. H. Penn
10.00 & 11.30 a.m. J. D. Thomson & N. J. Bebbington
10.05 & 11.35 a.m. T. Lamb & G. Davis
10.10 & 11.40 a.m. A. A. Lopes & T. B. Low
10.15 & 11.45 a.m. W. Kershaw & N. J. Bowker
10.20 & 11.50 a.m. H. J. Green & W. Stoker
10.25 & 11.55 a.m. E. O. Murphy & E. Greenwood

AFTERNOON

2.15 p.m. R. K. Collins & A. J. Dennis v. D. S. Ford & A. McKellar
2.20 p.m. H. F. Phillips & W. Hillier v. A. C. I. Bowker & D. Humphreys
2.25 p.m. K. S. McKenzie & A. L. Eastman v. W. Sharpe & T. Low
2.30 p.m. W. C. Simpson & W. V. Ahern v. H. Mundy & A. D. Humphreys
2.35 p.m. E. C. Fincher & A. W. Ramsay v. H. Smith & G. E. Willerton
2.40 p.m. W. A. Stewart & P. C. Barry v. D. Forbes & D. H. Penn
2.45 p.m. J. D. Thomson & N. J. Bebbington v. T. Lamb & G. Davis
2.50 p.m. A. A. Lopes & W. Kershaw v. T. B. Low & N. J. Bowker

INTER-UNIT LAWN BOWLS



Lt. A. A. Dand and Sgt. W. H. B. Muskett, of the Pay Section, keenly interested in their skip's wood as it comes in. Pay Section beat No. 1 Coy 29-12 at the Kowloon B.G.C. on Sunday last in the inter-Unit Lawn Bowls competition.—Ming Yuen.

Bowls Singles Quarter-Finals

F.J. Jones Eliminates W.J. Howard 22-20 In Thrilling Match

TWO of the quarter-final matches in the Lawn Bowls Singles Championship were played yesterday at the Kowloon Football Club—F. J. Jones beating W. J. Howard 21-20 on the 24th, and M. R. Abbas beating C. C. Pereira 21-9 on the 18th.

The first of these games was one of decided thrills, but the second proved a walk-over for Abbas in that Pereira was definitely off form.

Howard, apparently, found difficulty in the speed of the K.F.C. green, and for the opening six heads was quite erratic, and conceding a 4 on the 5th end was 10-0 in arrears before he commenced scoring on the 7th.

With a brilliant sequence, however, which included two 3's, he not only drew up to Jones but he passed him and led 12-10 on the 13th. Jones took the lead again on the 15th at 13-12, but with his 2 on the succeeding end, Howard regained the advantage which he never lost until the final head.

The second last head, the 23rd, was one of great excitement. Leading 20-17, and possibly lying one Howard lost his 3-shot lead when Jones, with his last wood, executed a brilliant shot that not only pushed out Howard's possible counter, but took over the jack to leave himself lying three.

Then there was greater excitement as wood by wood the bowlers bowled for the last head—the score being 20-20. Jones laid one shot with his third wood, Howard had very bad luck with his third wood when he narrowly failed to wick the jack, which had he done would have given him the shot. Then Jones drew another with his last wood, but Howard was wide.

The scores were:

F. J. Jones	W. J. Howard
1	1
2	2
3	3
4	4
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6	6
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9	9
10	10
11	11
12	12
13	13
14	14
15	15
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17	17
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22	22

M. R. Abbas Proves Too Accurate

M. R. ABBAS proved far too consistent and accurate for C. C. Pereira on the same green. The latter was much off form, and consequently at no period of the game did he appear a likely winner.

Abbas opened with a possible that was the result of simple drawing to the jack. On several heads, however, Pereira had bad luck when he missed the jack narrowly, for on each occasion had he succeeded in his design he would have scored.

The scores were:

M. R. Abbas	C. C. Pereira
1	1
2	2
3	3
4	4
5	5
6	6
7	7
8	8
9	9
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11	11
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Swimming

Small Units Win Area Challenge Cup Middlesex Defeated 2-1 In Water-Polo Final

DEFEATING Middlesex 2-1 in the final of the Large Units Knock-out water-polo tournament in the Army Pool yesterday Combined Small Units thus captured the Area Aggregate Challenge Cup for this year.

Middlesex were unfortunate to lose the match yesterday, being defeated by a penalty goal scored in the closing minutes of the game. General fault of the players, however, was their continually attempting to score with long shots. This was shared by both teams.

Both the first two goals came from close in—the first from Dignan (Small Units) when he swam through to just outside the 4-yard area, and the second from Jennings (Middlesex) who swam up to about the same distance—and all were scored in the second half.

It was in this half that Middlesex held the decided advantage, and it was most unfortunate that Bindon attempted to impede a free-throw taken by Minton in the four-yard area, for he was ordered out of the bath, and Morgan scored from the penalty.

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3.7"	x	3/4" & 5/32"
4.0"	x	3/4" & 5/32"
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4.5"	x	3/4" & 5/32"
5.0"	x	3/4" & 5/32"
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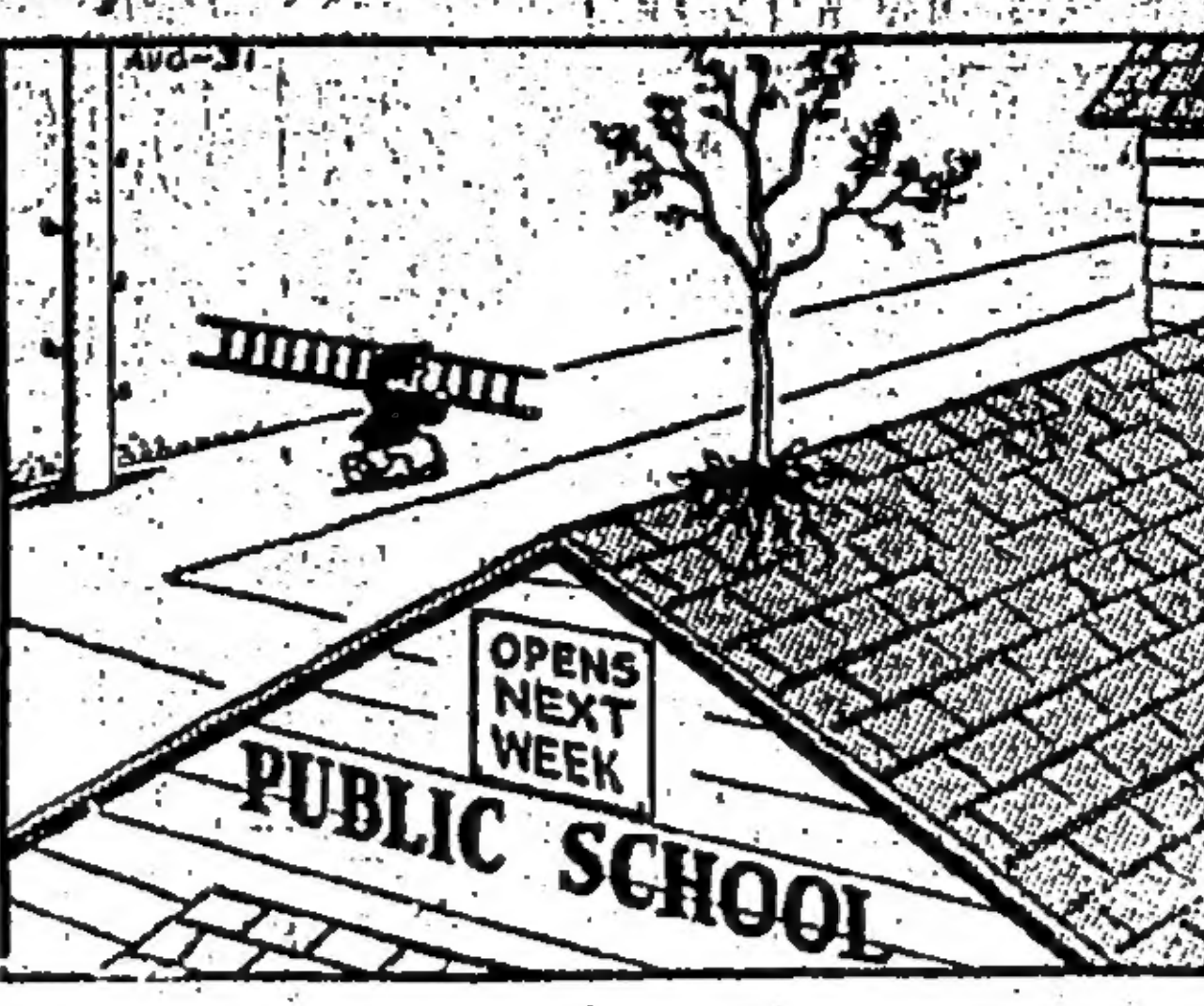
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By Ernie Bushmiller



THEY CALL IT "WINSTON'S FOLLY"

—But It Has Done Its Job

LONDON, Aug. 30.—Three direct and apparently unexpected hits were scored by "Winston's folly" in a recent cross-Channel artillery duel.

"Winston's folly" was the name given one of the big southeast coast guns by an expert who thought the Prime Minister's idea for a big gun there tactically unsound.

After the Germans succeeded with a French railway gun in landing a few wild shots along the southeast coast, it was decided to try out the British gun.

Three salvoes were fired. The first shell landed about 20 yards from one big German coastal gun and apparently took the gun's crew completely by surprise. They immediately brought all their anti-aircraft into play, aiming their high to find what they supposed to be a British bomber.

The second shot seemed to go a little wild, but landed in the center of a dump, where ammunition for the big gun was being loaded into cars.

Surprised Nazis

The third shot appeared to have gone way wide of the mark, and landed in a wooded area some distance from the coast.

That one may have been the luckiest of the lot for what had looked like a wooded sector suddenly began disgorging men. The shell had discovered a large and well camouflaged German troop concentration.

The name "Winston's folly" will undoubtedly stick but some experts may have changed their minds about its appropriateness.

TALK AT Y.M.C.A.

A talk on "Chinese Legends" will be given by Mr. Walter C. Clark, illustrated by coloured slides, at the Y.M.C.A. West Lounge, at 8 o'clock next Sunday, October 20, under the auspices of the Discussion Group. All members and their friends, including ladies, are welcome.

BITTER PEACE TERMS FOR VICHY

REICH TO GRAB ALL FRENCH GOLD ABROAD

THE WHOLE OF FRANCE'S EASTERN FRONTIER, FROM THE NORTH SEA TO THE MEDITERRANEAN, IS TO BE PUSHED BACK UNDER TERMS WHICH GERMANY IS PREPARING TO FORCE ON THE PETAIN GOVERNMENT.

Italy is to get her spoils. The Riviera territory to the east of a line from Switzerland to the Mediterranean is to be handed over to Mussolini.

In the north the zone Dunkirk to Boulogne to a depth just north of Arras is to be named Flanders, and will be incorporated in the new Belgo-Dutch State which, as already reported, is to be under the rule of King Leopold of the Belgians.

Cakes To-day As Usual, Says This Bombed Baker

WHILE British fighters played Old Harry with Nazi raiders in the air the other day, things were also happening on the ground below.

Here are some of the things that happened. Here, too, are other stories, ranging from the heroic to the comic, but all expressing the thumbs-up spirit of Britain in a blitzkrieg.

A south-east village baker was awakened earlier than usual and found that a bomb outside the shop had blown in his front window.

First thing he did was to persuade his wife to go to sleep again.

Second thing he did was to scrawl a big notice: "Don't let Hitler spoil your appetite. Bread and cakes as usual"—and stick it in front of his shop.

Then he got on with his usual day's baking.

Expected To Starve

A young Nazi airman woke up in a south coast hospital after his crash.

Presently he was brought a meal—generous helpings of fish freshly caught in the Channel, potatoes, greens, butter, fresh fruit and cream.

He goggled in amazement as the loaded tray was put in front of him. "But why are you so kind?" he asked. "You give me all this food when you have no food yourselves!"

Swim To England

Story told one day of the last moments in troopship Mahomed Ali El-Kebir, sunk by a U-boat recently.

When all the rafts and boats had gone, thirty officers and men remained on board. They were wondering what to do. A naval petty officer said: "Come on, mates, there'll always be an England. Let's swim to it."

With that he dived into the Atlantic. Others followed, and were picked up by England's warships.

FRENCH IN COLONY

Committee Works Quietly, Efficiently

In a communique to the Press yesterday M. Louis Blau, President of La France Libre, (Free Frenchmen Association), says:

"The Committee of La France Libre is working silently but efficiently. This is not a political party; on the contrary we accept all Frenchmen animated with the desire to see their beloved country regaining her liberty, power and splendid Empire."

"Thanks to our Chief, General de Gaulle, every day this immense Empire regains its consciousness and even with the reverse of Dakar the day is not very far distant when the colonies and Protectorates will be together again, sharing with our gallant Allies the burden of the war until the final victory."

"In Hongkong many Frenchmen are rallying to the standard of General de Gaulle. The Committee is doing its utmost to send volunteers to England. Some are passing through and the Committee is taking care of them, giving them clothes and money and keeping them in a hotel until they leave."

"The Free Frenchmen in Hongkong have no hatred for their compatriots or even for the Government of Vichy and they try hard to persuade them to come and to help in the resurrection of France."

"France is not vanquished. The fault of an incompetent General Staff, composed for a major part, of old men without any knowledge of the new strategy of mass mechanized units and aircraft, aided by a handful of unscrupulous politicians, cannot change the spirit of a people who were the first to proclaim the three principles of Liberty, Equality and Fraternity."

"There are indications that everything is not so perfect in France and manifestations, even in the occupied area, are taking part daily."

"Defeatism, however, seems to be among the people, civilians and officers alike. In the Far East the click of Vichy is terrorizing them, telling them that if they pass to de Gaulle their families in France will be sent to concentration camps and so on. That barbarous method cannot hold everybody and many of our compatriots, listening to reason, are coming to us."

"We don't want to exert any pressure, we are all Frenchmen living freely in a British Colony, trading like our ally without any restrictions and with complete freedom. For that we expect that the Committee of La France Libre will continue to receive the support of all true Frenchmen in Hongkong."

"The Committee has decided to issue identification cards to all members, application for which should be made to the France Libre Headquarters, National Bank Building, 4th Floor, No. 405."

"The Committee is very grateful to all persons who have contributed generous donations to General de Gaulle's Funds."

Overseas Wealth

The financial clauses of the peace are to be extremely severe. Germany, already collecting the necessary data through the Bank of France, will try to seize the entire fortune possessed by France abroad, mainly in the United States.

These foreign holdings will be made over as an essential preliminary to German evacuation of France. Meanwhile German manoeuvres, skilful though hidden, are making it impossible for the Petain Government to carry out any real reforms. It is to the interest of Germany to keep France as weak and disunited as possible.

The occupied territory is being stripped of all reserves of produce and wealth. Everything is being taken for German use.

Attacks on Petain

Unoccupied France is to be given no chance of restoring her strength until the end of the war.

For this reason the Germans are fostering the extremely violent attacks against the Petain Government, which are being made daily in the German-controlled, German-printed Paris Press.

France's North Africa Empire still maintains some independence, but the unfortunate Marshal Petain, on the orders of his German masters, and especially those of Herr Otto Abetz, Ribbentrop's ambassador, is striving to abolish or restrict its independence.

It is openly stated in Vichy that the object of the Germans is to weaken the Petain Administration by ridicule and by fostering partisan movements so that the Germans and Italians can say: "France is badly administered. We must step in to put things right."

It would follow that German and Italian troops would enter the last remnants of French independence.

Italians, it is being stated, are especially urging this move because they badly want to lay hands on the naval arsenal at Toulon and on the port of Marseilles.

'PLANES FROM PRISONS

Women prisoners in Aylesbury Gaol, Buckinghamshire, are giving a quarter of their "pay" for comforts for the troops and to help buy a Spitfire.

They can earn upwards of a shilling a week, and their contributions range from 1d. to 3d. weekly.

The amount thus contributed is added to by the prison staff, and every week £2 is handed over to the comfort funds. There is usually a surplus. Recently the surplus reached £20 and this money was given to Lord Denbrough for his Spitfire fund. Each week the surplus will be allocated towards the purchase of a Spitfire.

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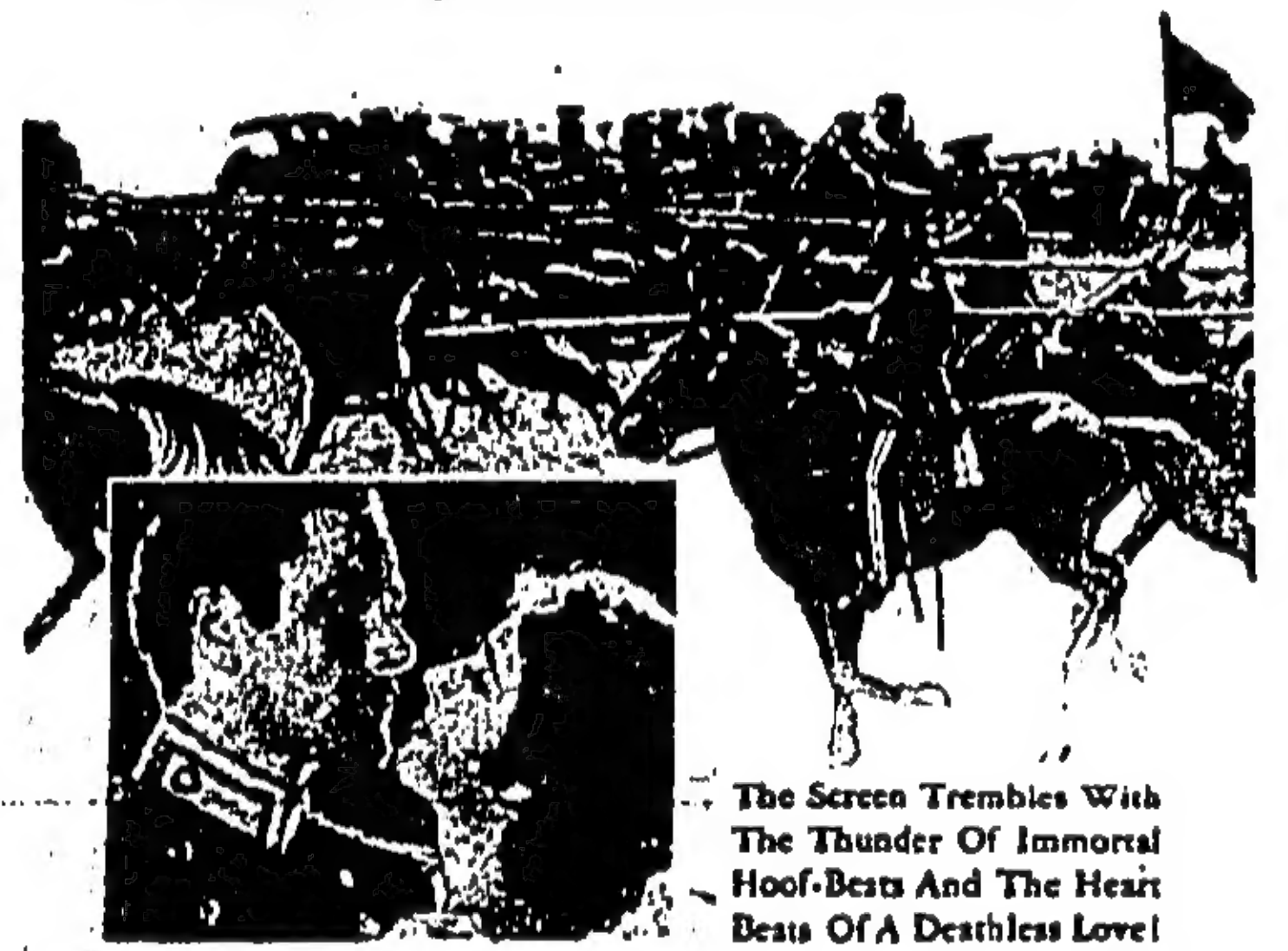
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Swede's Tribute

A tribute to the effectiveness of an R.A.F. dive-bombing attack on a German port in the Baltic is paid by a Swedish seaman in an interview printed in the Swedish newspaper *Ny Dag*.

The raid he describes was followed by others nearly every night during the three weeks he remained there.

"The Germans lie in their official reports when they say that the British aircraft caused little damage and did not hit military objectives."

"The English are not backward when it comes to using their dive-bombers. One night hell broke loose a couple of hundred yards from our boat. That was from an attack by only one English plane. But those on board it knew their job."

Surprise Attack

"The attack was a complete surprise. The bomber dropped a flare. Then came the dive. The aircraft dropped like a stone towards the factory buildings. Two hundred yards from the ground it turned sharply and fell some bombs. We heard the cries of the A.A. men as they were swept off the factory roof. The Englishmen withdrew to the clouds for another 15 minutes and then let fall a further flare. The factory again shone out and we could see the damage done to one of the buildings."

"Now came the true direct hit. A whole range of buildings flamed up and with it a large number of completed aircraft which were ready to be put into service."

"For an hour and 40 minutes the machine made continuous attacks and dropped well-aimed bombs. Of the whole range of factory buildings there was only a steel skeleton left. But in the report for that day the British bombardment was described as 'without object'."

Post Office Carries On Despite War

LONDON, Sept. 11.—The Post-master General, addressing a Rotary Club meeting, has told of the important part played by the civilian staff of the Post Office during the war.

He outlined the difficulties which had to be faced in maintaining communication with the Forces during the fighting in Belgium and France.

Some of the men who went to France on this war experienced great hardships, he said, and possibly their greatest joy was when the Public Assistance Officer at the landing port offered to assist them with money for their first experience of looking like tramps.

Mr. Morrison pointed out that the change in the theatre of war and the alterations in dispositions of the Forces had called for rapid and heavy work by the engineering staff of the Post Office.

He had received many reports of quick and courageous conduct by Post Office staff of all grades in air raids.

They included the effecting of immediate repairs to telephone communications in a bomb crater while an air raid was still in progress, and unexploded bombs lay in the vicinity. Two young girl telephonists under 21 remained at their post in a telephone exchange although the windows had been blown in.

Their supervisor, who was very little older, came from her home, although it had been hit by a bomb, to take up duty in the exchange and assist the conduct of the work.

In another case where a Post Office was hit in the small hours of the morning, the postmaster and his staff did such good work that emergency premises were found, the public office opened as usual the next morning and the mails were handled without any break.

Germans Flee From British Raids

45,000 Nazis Leave Hamburg For Paris

Food Shortage

THE population of the Rhineland and North-West German areas and towns most subjected to R.A.F. bombing is now being evacuated to France on a large scale.

Forty-five thousand German refugees, officially evacuated from Hamburg, have arrived in Paris, where they are being quartered in flats and houses standing empty there.

Many thousands more are being distributed over the North-East departments of France. Latest arrivals from Paris say that the food problem there is already acute, though less so than in the unoccupied zone. Food is severely rationed, especially meat, which is allowed only on two days a week, when one small "beef steak," actually horse as a rule, can be bought for 2s.

More Disorders

Coal and oil of all kinds are also scarce. People expect famine this winter not only in France, but in Germany, Italy and all Central Europe.

Reports, impossible to verify, of disorders in the French unoccupied zone still arrive. Lamoignon, another large demobilisation centre, is the latest place where food riots are said to have occurred.

ALSACE IS BEING NAZIFIED

Hitler is carrying out the virtual re-annexation of Alsace-Lorraine as if the war were already over and the peace terms signed.

German newspaper reports show that the Nazis are removing every sign of French sovereignty, influence and culture. Leaders of the autonomist party are taking leading parts in "victory processions" throughout the province which belonged to Germany before 1918.

Secret Out

The autonomist movement in Alsace was born some 15 years ago, mainly as a reaction to precipitate action of the French administration. But even at its hey-day around 1930 the movement was backed by less than a third of the population and always emphasised its loyalty to France.

When it became known that the autonomists were being secretly subsidised by the Nazis, the movement suffered a serious setback, particularly at the 1936 elections. After the outbreak of war the French Government disbanded the autonomist party, suppressed its newspapers, and arrested scores of its leaders, including three Members of Parliament.

"Huge Craters"

These men, released from Nancy jail by the invading Germans, are now being proclaimed "heroes."

They regularly address propaganda meetings in all main Alsatian towns—Strasbourg, Mulhouse, Colmar and Saverne.

According to the German Press, the meetings are attended by "enormous crowds."

For instance, 12,000 people are said to have attended a meeting in Mulhouse.

The figure is not so impressive, for in normal times Mulhouse has more than 100,000 inhabitants.

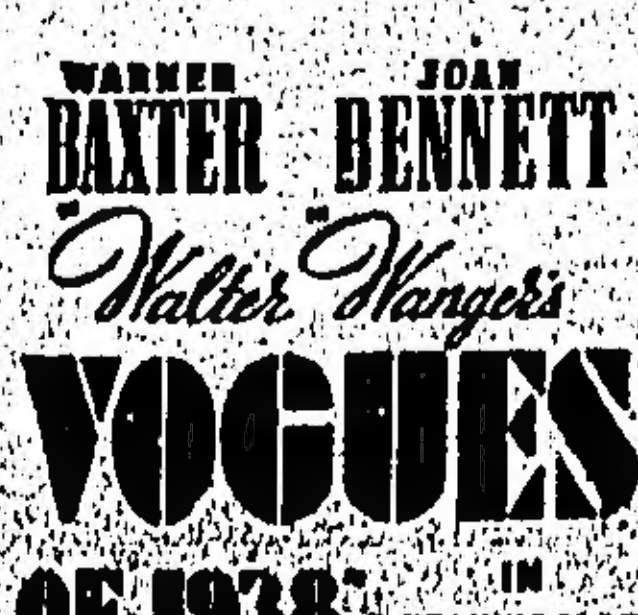
Famous U.S. Yacht For The Scrap Heap

Boston, Aug. 28. The yacht *Rainbow*, successful defender of the famous America's Cup in 1934 and built by Harold S. Vanderbilt at a cost of nearly a half million dollars, headed for the scrap heap. She was stripped of all fittings preparatory to being reduced to scrap metal at the Lawley shipyard. It was reported the yacht brought around \$12,000.

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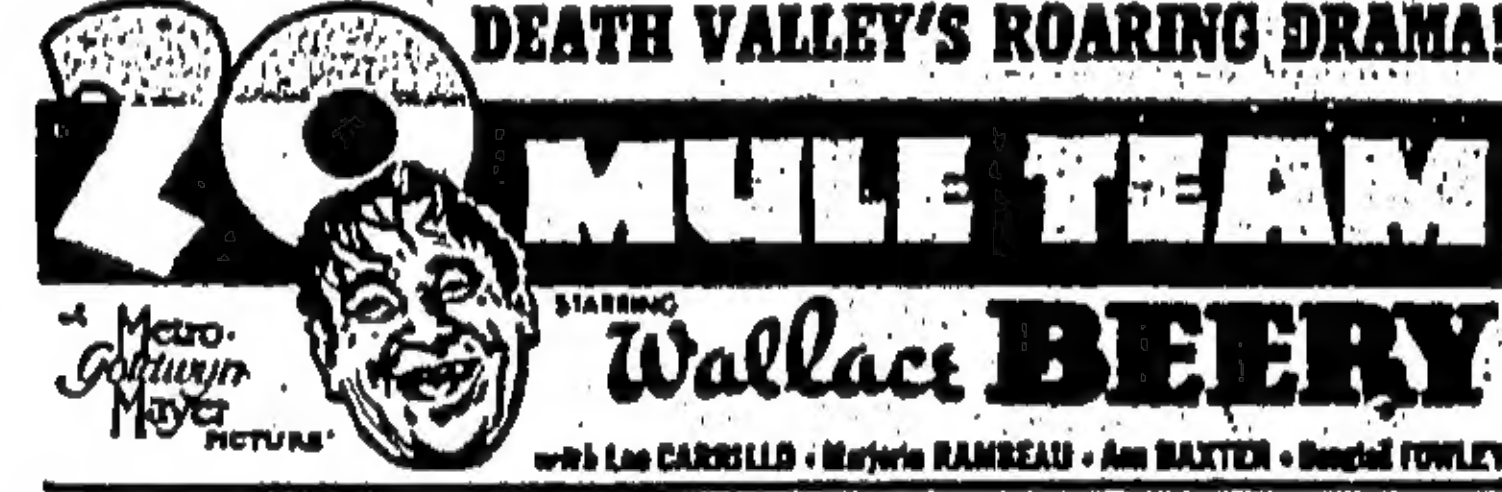
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H.M.S. AJAX SCORES NEW TRIUMPH: SINKS TWO ITALIAN DESTROYERS

Enemy Naval Forces Put To Flight In Mediterranean Engagement

LONDON, OCT. 15, (REUTER).—THE BRITISH LIGHT CRUISER AJAX, OF 7,000 TONS, WITH EIGHT 6-INCH GUNS, SANK TWO ITALIAN DESTROYERS, CRIPPLED A THIRD DESTROYER, AND PUT THE REMAINDER OF THE ITALIAN FORCES, INCLUDING A HEAVY CRUISER, TO FLIGHT.

PREMIER TALKS ON WAR AIMS

Answer To Commons Queries

LONDON, Oct. 15 (Reuter).—Mr. Winston Churchill's confidence in the outcome of the war and Germany's eventual defeat was again manifested to-day when he was questioned in the House of Commons on Britain's war aims.

The Prime Minister declared that the time had not yet come when any official declaration could be made beyond very carefully considered statements which had already appeared.

DIRECT HITS ON BERLIN

R.A.F. Successes

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Oct. 15 (UP).—The Air Ministry announced to-day that the large gas works at Danzig Erstrasse, 2½ miles from the centre of Berlin was quickly located and "a well aimed stick of heavy calibre bombs started several fires which soon gained in intensity."

"A few minutes later the Tempelhof railway yard close to Berlin's main airport was bombed by a second raider. The crew reported that a great fire was raging four or five miles north in the approximate position of the Danzig Erstrasse gas works."

"Other raiders concentrated their attacks on military objectives in the centre of the city. Several tons of heavy calibre high explosive bombs with quantities of small fire bombs were unloaded. A direct hit with heavy bombs was also scored on a railway siding near the Lehrter station."

German Version

BERLIN, Oct. 15 (UP).—The official news agency "Reuters" has not been hit by the British night gangsters. The hospital at Virchow which was hit for the third time, and hitherto only by incendiary bombs, was last night bombed by four explosion bombs.

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BENGHAZI RAIDED

R.A.F. Active Over Libya

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Oct. 15 (UP).—The Air Ministry has announced that British planes on Sunday and Monday carried out a series of raids on Benghazi.

"During the first raid main railway sidings were attacked with great success and one ship moored alongside the mole at Dittah received a direct hit," the communique said.

Ship Bombed

In another raid the jetty and wharves were the main objectives. "Direct hits were registered on the mole and a number of bombs fell in a barracks. A very large ship in the harbour was bombed and hit, resulting in a huge column of smoke," the communique stated.

Also it said a large fire was started near some scapline hangars and a medium sized ship was hit. All the British planes returned.

Financial Aid To China

Question In Commons

LONDON, Oct. 15 (Reuter).—No fresh loan by the British Government to China is under consideration at the present time, declared Sir Kingsley Wood, Chancellor of the Exchequer, in the House of Commons.

He was asked whether Government would consider such a loan to China under an exports credits scheme similar to that recently granted to China by the American Government.

Sir Kingsley pointed out that China had already received assistance from Britain under the exports credits scheme, and as sterling available under this scheme had not been exhausted and only a small part of the export guarantee had been taken up, the question of further sterling assistance did not arise at present.

LONDON, Oct. 15 (Reuter).—The German radio announces that Baron von Schulenberg, the German Ambassador to Moscow, has returned there after several weeks in Berlin.

1941 PHOTO CONTEST PLANS: OPEN TO ALL-COMERS

The 1940 Exhibition, now being held, marks the close of what has become the foremost annual photographic event in the Far East. Plans are already being formulated concerning next year's competition. For ten years, the event has been confined to amateur photographers, and there is no doubt that during that decade, the standard of amateur work has improved immensely. This year's display would be a credit to any city in the world.

The Institution of a craftsmen's section was thoroughly justified, and the fact that the premier award was secured by an entry in this section, illustrates the excellence of amateur work in the Colony, not only in taking the photograph, but performing all the work of developing, enlarging and finishing. This section will be continued in future competitions.

"It has been decided, however, that next year the other sections of the competition will be run on open lines and amateurs will compete equally with professionals. In throwing open the event to the professional, the Telegraph will merely be adopting the usual rule of the Royal Photographic Society."

The Colony's amateurs need have nothing to fear of this, for they have clearly demonstrated that not only have they the ability, but in many cases, the enterprise and inspiration necessary to the production of outstanding photographic work.

The Ajax was one of two light cruisers which, with the heavy cruiser Exeter, drove the German battle ship Graf Spee into Montevideo.

Describing the battle, which occurred last Saturday off Sicily, the Admiralty states that during operations in the eastern and central Mediterranean, H.M.S. Ajax made contact with three Italian destroyers of the 679-ton Alpino Class about 80 miles south-east of Sicily on October 12.

The Ajax immediately engaged and two of the Italian destroyers sank outright, stating the Admiralty communique, quoting a report from the Commander-in-Chief of the Mediterranean.

Second Engagement

Shortly after this encounter, the Ajax sighted an enemy force composed of one heavy cruiser and four destroyers. The Ajax again engaged and succeeded in crippling one of the enemy destroyers. The remainder of the force escaped in the darkness.

OVERHAUL FOR THE AJAX

LONDON, Oct. 15 (Reuter).—It was announced a few months ago that the Ajax returned to service with a new complement of officers and men and that in addition to remedying the scars she received in the battle in the South Atlantic against the Graf Spee, naval constructors had mended such minor defects of construction as were revealed in the action to the advantage of her fighting efficiency.

Few of her former officers were with her on her return to service, but about half of the men of the lower deck who participated in the battle remained to amaze more laurels in the Mediterranean.

Believing that the Ajax was in such with considerable enemy forces, H.M.S. York came up in support but no further contact was made with the enemy that night.

With the assistance of aircraft of the Fleet Air Arm, a destroyer was located at dawn in the tow of another Italian destroyer, which had gallantly come to her assistance.

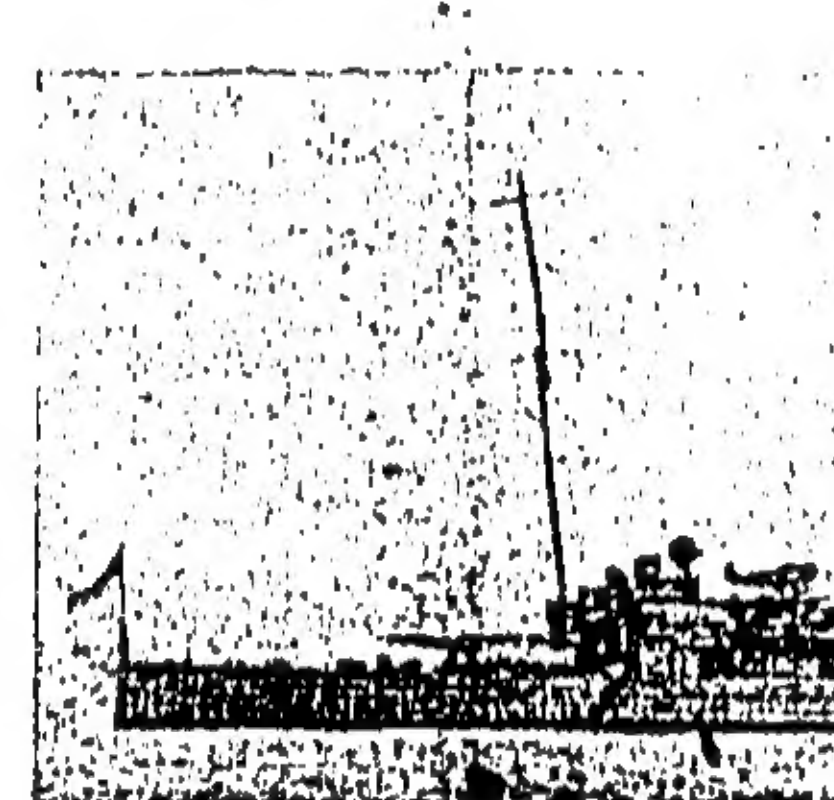
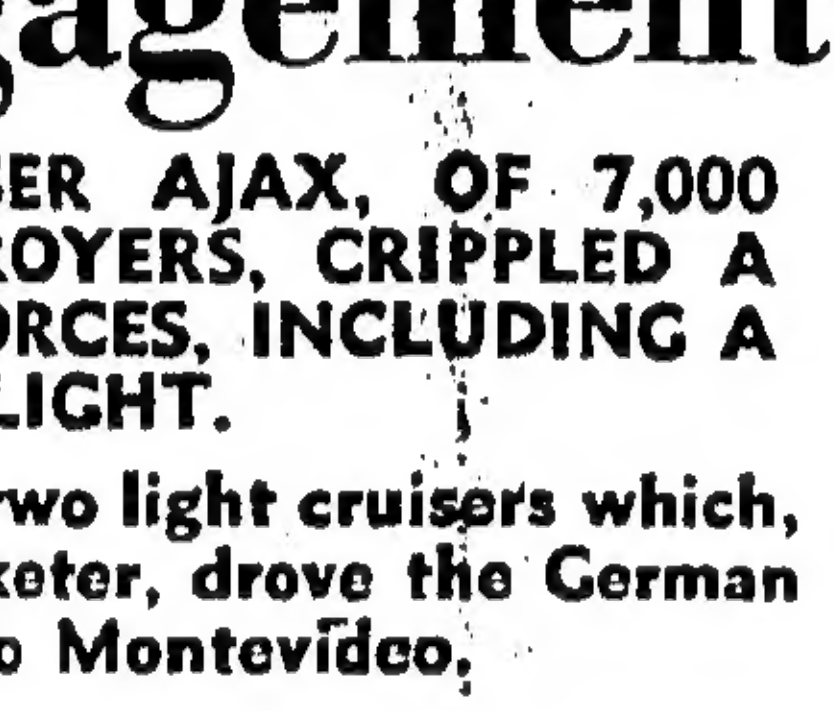
On the arrival of the Ajax, the towing destroyer slipped the tow and made off at high speed towards Sicily under cover of smoke screens.

Third Ship Sunk

It was then ascertained that the damaged destroyer was the 1,629-ton TURN to Page 8, Column Three

THE AJAX BAGS MORE VICTIMS

H.M.S. Ajax has added new laurels to her glorious achievements in the present war. Her latest is to sink two Italian destroyers and cripple a third. Below is the Ajax, and bottom picture shows H.M.S. York which also took part in the latest Mediterranean battle.



Last Disobedience Plan Statement

Gandhi Limits Aims Of Latest Campaign

—No Munitions

WARDHA, Oct. 15 (Reuter).—"Who knows that I shall not be the instrument for bringing about peace not only between Britain and India but between the warring nations of the world," said Mahatma Gandhi in a statement on his plan for "individual civil disobedience."

Explaining why he was not offering himself for arrest, Gandhi said this would be the last civil disobedience movement he would lead and he must stay out of prison in order to meet any contingency that might arise.

In his statement, Gandhi said that Congress cannot wish ill to Britain nor can it help her through arms because of its creed of non-violence.

"I know that India is not one-minded. There is a part of India that is war-minded and will learn the art of war through helping the British. Congress therefore, does not desire to surround ammunition factories or barracks and prevent people from doing what they like."

RUMANIA FROM EXODUS

BRITONS & AMERICANS

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

ISTANBUL, Oct. 15 (Dome).—As the belief is rapidly gaining ground that the Axis Powers are planning to sweep the entire Balkans, British and American nationals in Rumania are making a general exodus to Turkey.

Rapid increase in Axis influences in various Balkan States following the entry of German troops into Rumania is reported. Bulgaria on October 8 issued new laws controlling alien firms and Jews, while the National Socialist Party is also reported to be rapidly rising in Hungary.

Axis Plan

Informed quarters here express the belief that Germany and Italy will shortly undertake a general control of the entire Balkans and by extending their grip on Rumania will attempt to drive British influence out from Turkey and Greece.

German troops in Rumania are reported to be already moving towards the Rumanian-Bulgarian border, while four German submarines are said to be being shipped in parts to Galati in Rumania.

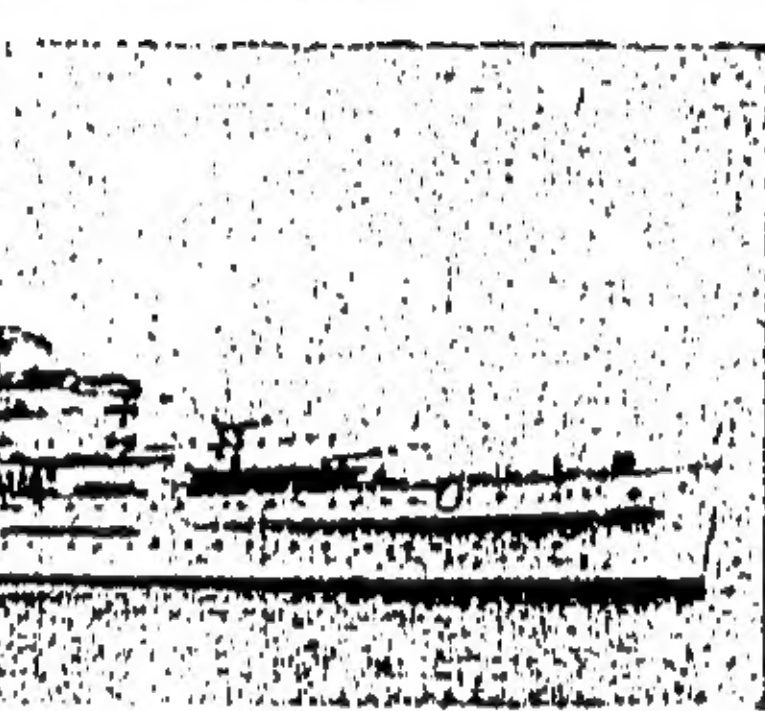
Japanese Indo-China Withdrawal Delay

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

HANOI, Oct. 15 (UP).—Japanese official sources told the "United Press" to-day that they are unable to give the date of the Japanese withdrawal from Langson because the alleged Chinese pressure against northern Indo-China might make it necessary to cancel the evacuation temporarily.

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FIERCE BARRAGE FOR NAZIS

London Raids

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Oct. 15 (UP).—German raiders swept in with the darkness from an easterly direction to-night to renew last night's heavy attack.

They drew an anti-aircraft barrage such as even London has seldom experienced hitherto. The boom of guns was almost continuous in the early part of the raid and searchlights probed for the raiders among the stars.

Apparently taking advantage of the moonlight the Germans sent over both single engined and two-engined bombers.

Heavy explosions shook the capital shortly after the first raider appeared.

Slight Raids

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Oct. 15 (UP).—The Air Ministry and Ministry of Home Security in a joint communique to-day declared that nine German planes and 10 British planes were brought down up to 5.30 p.m.

It was stated that a number of bombs were dropped in the south and east areas of London but the damage does not appear to be heavy. There were a few casualties and some deaths.

"Elsewhere, a few bombs were dropped, but there was no serious damage."

The communique said that the Germans were mostly fighter planes throughout the day.

Formations Broken Up

LONDON, Oct. 15 (Reuter).—Six enemy raiders are reported to have been destroyed in the attacks attempted to-day over the Kent coast, the Thames Estuary and various places in the Home Counties.

Strong A.A. barrages and R.A.F. fighters caused the formations to break up and retreat back to the coast.

A few machines got through to London. Some damage is reported, mostly to houses, although casualties are reported from bombs dropped on a large confectionery factory.

Isle of Wight Capture

When a yellow-nosed Messerschmitt 109 was shot down in the Isle of Wight.

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Soviet-Japan Pact Is Hinted

German Scheme

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Oct. 15 (UP).—Diplomatic circles here believe that there is a strong possibility of a Soviet-Japanese non-aggression pact.

It is understood that Germany has been pressing the Soviets to make an agreement with the Japanese.

They expect that the new Japanese Ambassador, Lieut. General Tatekawa will push the negotiations as soon as he arrives in Moscow, to enable Japan to turn her attention southward.

Merely A Truce

Diplomatic circles also feel that if the pact is signed, it will merely be a sort of truce and that the Soviets will continue aiding China.

They strongly doubt the reports that the Soviets are trying to form a Balkan bloc with Turkey, Greece and Yugoslavia, but believe that the Soviets will make it clear to Turkey that they will not hamper Turkey if she defends herself against the Axis Powers.

Soviet Worries

LONDON, Oct. 15 (Reuter).—Russia's whole diplomacy during the past year has been marked by obvious anxiety to avoid a conflict with Germany, says the "Daily Telegraph."

Russia has tolerated a good deal of German high handedness rather than engage in war but Germany on the Straits of Bosphorus would be a challenge to her interests and security which must surely compel the Soviet to think again.

Russia indeed may be seriously wrong in thinking that the pact with Japan was not directed against her as much as against America. Russia will be compelled to show her hand soon and that naturally is receiving the keen attention of Turkey.

LATEST

See Back Page For Further Late News

Vichy Again Rejects Demands By Thailand

Special to the "Telegraph"

VICHY, Oct. 15 (UP).—The French Government has formally notified Bangkok that France rejects, in toto, the subsequent demand of the Thai Government for the transfer of huge territories forming a part of Cambodia between the Mekong river and the present Indo-China-Thailand frontier, and also part of upper Laos lying west of the Mekong river, and the present frontier.

They admitted, there was a possibility of a settlement of Thailand claims on the Mekong river, islands through arbitration by a mixed commission, who would try to settle all frontier disputes.

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1.30 Reuter & Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 Dance Music.

2.15 Close down.

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6.30 Closing local Stock Quotations.

6.32 Dance Music & Variety.

7.0 London Relay—The News.

7.15 London Relay—Topical Talks.

7.30 Excerpts from Gilbert & Sullivan.

8.0 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 Eric Coates—Cinderella—A Fantasy.

8.17 Cesar Franck—Symphonie Variations.

Alfred Cortot (Piano) and The London Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Sir London Ronald.

8.32 A Light Orchestra Programme with Missa Korjus (Soprano) and Webster Booth (Tenor).

9.0 London Relay—The News and News Commentaries.

9.30 London Relay—"To Talk of Many Things".

9.45 Max Bruch—Concerto No. 1 in G Minor, Op. 26.

Yehudi Menuhin (Violin) and the London Symphony Orchestra cond. by Sir London Ronald.

Yo That Now Are Sorryful (from Requiem), Hildegard Behmann (Soprano) with Chorus and Orchestra.

9.50 Dvorak—Symphony No. 5 in E Minor, Op. 95 "The New World".

11.0 Close down.

VAUDEVILLE AT THE Y.M.C.A.

A Vaudeville entertainment has been organized by the Services Section of the Y.M.C.A. to take place in the West Lounge Theatre at the "Y" headquarters Kowloon on Thursday, October 17 at 8.30 p.m.

The programme promises to be a good one, the following being the Artists who are taking part:

Irene Artoth, Norman Blinnig, Freddy Clemen, Jack Fountain, John Gilchrist, Gertrude Goddard, "Les" Gibson, Alex. Graff, Harold Harrison and Robert Richmond, Stanley Hinchliffe, William Knight, David Kossick, Vic Labrum, "Mysto" the Memory Man, Ernie Perry, Elvie Yuen, and Norah Wittell.

Stage arrangements are in the hands of "Don" Grant.

All Service-men are welcome. A small charge of 20 cents being made for admission; tickets are now available at Y.M.C.A. counters.

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OCCUPATION SCENES

U.S. Journalist On Indo-China's Plight

"The French troops and civilians in Indo-China were willing to fight the Japanese, but you can't fight if you are given orders not to," declared the American journalist, Mr. Forman, who has returned to Hongkong after watching the occupation of Hanoi and Halphong.

Mr. Forman who returned by the Panamanian steamer—Wm. Tupper, took the first films of the Nazi bombing of Warsaw. He said the French troops opened fire in reply to the Japanese when they were ordered to cease firing. The only excuse for the French in Tonkin is that they are nearly all Government men and consequently they will put up a stronger resistance. So far they have ignored Thailand's demands," he pointed out.

"Because Thailand's demands are backed by an air force of 300 planes and Japanese pressure, the French may be forced to yield again," he said.

No Evacuation Ordered

"No evacuation of Hanoi and Halphong was ordered and the French were completely at the mercy of Japanese bombers. There were no air raid precautions except the construction of a few ridiculously shallow trenches along the river front."

The Japanese forces in Indo-China were behaving well, mainly because they learned in China that it is impossible to occupy a country and exploit it without co-operation.

There was no looting and no raping. The Japanese tried to buy goods in shops with military notes, but when shops had the courage to refuse, the soldiers produced plastic.

French women still walked the streets wearing shorts apparently unperturbed.

It is definitely an occupation and a taking over of the country by the Japanese, who mean to stay. The French can not delude themselves about this," he said.

Mr. Forman said that the Japanese did not confiscate the American motor trucks as they have in their own. He said it was rather amusing to watch the traffic confusion when the Japanese Army trucks first arrived.

The Japanese drivers kept to the left, as they did in Tokyo, and the French still kept motoring on the right side of the road and they had not yet met head on. After a time the Japanese conformed to the French traffic rules and are now driving on the right.

DISMAY FOR AMERICANS Cannot Afford To Pay Pro-Rata

Shanghai, Oct. 15.

American residents and evacuation organizations are dismayed at the Maritime Commission's announcement of the pro-rata charges, pointing out that a large section of the American community is financially unable to pay even regular rates to America as a result of three years of wartime business depression. They declare that the emergency liners will probably make the outward passage without cargo, which will therefore increase the economic burden upon homeward passengers if the companies are to avert losses.

One prominent evacuation organizer said that if Washington desired the evacuation of the majority of Americans they would have to take rates far below even the regular rates, even if Americans agreed to abandon all possessions on which freight rates would be prohibitive.

Lower Fares Considered

Shanghai, Oct. 15.

A large number of Americans here who had signified their intention to leave Shanghai as soon as possible will be glad to receive news to-day that two more liners are being dispatched to the Far East to take evacuees, an official of the American Chamber of Commerce stated this afternoon. Special lower rates of passage fares for evacuees are being considered.

Hundreds of Americans throughout the Far East who are preparing for evacuation welcomed the news to-day that two more liners were being sent to the Orient to assist in the evacuation.

Shipping offices here are experiencing an almost unprecedented rush of bookings and all lines to-night reported that they were booked to capacity until January.

A special evacuation committee has been established here to help American citizens.

It is understood that the proposal to send the evacuees to Manila was rejected in the light of the experience of British women evacuated from Hongkong.

What action will be taken by American missionaries, of whom there are large numbers in China, is still undecided.

Persistent rumours that the British will advise British subjects also to leave China and Japan are still tentatively denied. An official declared that the matter was under consideration but no action had yet been taken.

5,000 Men Are Starving On France Devil's Isle

DEVIL'S ISLAND, famous in picture and story as the severest prison in the world, is reported to have collapsed with the great French Empire which sent it its outcasts.

Eight ragged and sunburned fugitives rescued off Florida on their way to enlist with the forces of General de Gaulle to regain freedom for the country that took their freedom away, brought a story to civilisation that the guards, who had once been cruel and merciless, were helping the convicts to escape.

The reason, they said, was that the French Government had forgotten the fate of the island in the tropic belt of the southern Atlantic. No supply ships had called for weeks and no pay envelopes had been handed out to the island's staff.

Prisoners and captors alike faced starvation, said the fugitives, unless they could escape in whatever ships they could get hold of.

No Food For Months

No longer was it necessary to plot for weeks for an emergency escape to trudge through the jungle or to

smuggle away provisions and preclude water.

The fugitives, who left Devil's Island in canoes and then borrowed a ploop on the waterfront at Trinidad, did not hear the full story of France's collapse until they had landed at Puerto Rico on August 4. They were led by a Breton sailor who served in the French navy in the last war.

Speaking through interpreters, he said: "The French Government sent neither food nor supplies to the island for several months. There are about 5,000 prisoners, including liberators (discharged convicts). We were all liberates. They will all have to leave or starve."

"We were told to get whatever food we could and leave. This was food. We wanted to sail for Canada and then on to England to fight. There'll be more coming later."

The fugitives were picked up by consular authorities of Brisbane Bay, Florida.

Ministry To Increase Eel Fishing Industry

Demonstrations of how to catch eels, sponsored by the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries, are proving so popular that thousands of amateurs are anxious to try their luck. But at present the Ministry are not in a position to supply the "tools."

Before the Nazi invasions Britain was importing from Holland and Denmark over 2,000 tons of eels every year, and the demand was increasing.

Eel boats, bringing their live catches to Billingsgate—under a charter that has existed since the times of the Stuarts—were a familiar sight to Londoners on Thames-side.

Now the Ministry experiments are holding a series of demonstrations to show how simple it is to catch eels. They have been held in Dorset, Norfolk, Somerset and this week they are being held in the Fen District.

More of Them

An official said: "Eels are far more numerous than they are in Holland. They can be found in every river, stream and pond throughout the country."

"The success of the Dutch industry was due to their concentration and their method of capture by means of eel pikes—a kind of silk net."

"During the last few years the Dutch waters have been over-fished, while ours have been largely untouched."

"Our difficulty at the moment is the production in this country of eel pikes of the Dutch type."

"Various experiments with other and cheaper nets have been made, but they have not been successful. Cotton nets, for instance, were found to be far less strong and rotted quickly in fresh water."

"It is doubtful whether pikes could be produced in appreciable quantities before the New Year."

"Compared with other forms of fishing eel catching is simple."

The Ministry have had the assistance in their demonstrations of one of the most experienced Dutchmen in the industry.

Three men have now been discharged as he was on alien

Invitation To Lectures

Dr. Winifred Cullis

It is emphasised that to men as well as to women, a cordial invitation is extended to attend the public lectures to be given in Hongkong by Professor Winifred Cullis, D.Sc., M.A., D.Litt.

Professor Cullis is to speak at the Helens May Institute to-morrow at 5.30 p.m. and again at the Y.M.C.A., Kowloon, on October 24 at 9.15 p.m. What she will have to say will be of great interest to the entire English-speaking community, as she will give some details of Britain at war and the effort that is being made by every man and woman, not only to resist a possible German invasion but towards completing the preparations for a great counter-offensive.

Professor Cullis is an inspiring messenger, and having personally experienced some of the bombing raids in London and south-west England, is able to give first-hand details of the morale of the people and their utmost confidence in an ultimate victory for democracy.

The following programme of activities has been mapped out for Professor Cullis for the week: A reception in her honour will be held at the Hongkong University to-day, and another at the Y.W.C.A. on Monday at 4.30 p.m. To-morrow Professor Cullis will speak at a public meeting at the Helens May Institute at 5.30 p.m. and again on October 24 at the Y.M.C.A., Kowloon, at 9.15 p.m. She will address the Ladies' Working Party at Government House on Friday at 10.30 a.m. and that at the Peninsula Hotel on October 25

Lindbergh Criticises Government

For Foreign Policy

Washington, Oct. 14.

Colonel Charles Lindbergh in a broadcast this evening said that the American people have lost confidence in the Government leaders and charged that they were leading the country into war. He said that the results of the November elections would determine the entire future of America and its system of life.

"Our votes next November can either bring about a disastrous war," he declared. "We can throw the world into chaos or we can lead it to new heights of civilisation. We do not question the need for armaments or for reform or for a better economic system. What we do question is the leadership which has brought these conditions upon us."

"We have alienated the most powerful military nations in both Europe and Asia. We find the same men who led us into the greatest national debt in our history now telling us that we are weak and unprepared for the coming of a disastrous war."

"We have been led into debt and weakness. Now we are being led into war."—United Press.

Country Unprepared

New York, Oct. 14.

Mr. Wendell Willkie, Republican candidate for President, in a speech from his train en route to Syracuse, said that he feared that President Roosevelt by a reckless statement, may do something or say something that will drive this peaceful country into war when it is wholly unprepared.—United Press.

Country Remains Calm

Istanbul, Oct. 15.

Disturbed by the German occupation of Rumania, Turkey awaits developments calmly. Opinion is still divided upon the German objectives, some thinking that the occupation is a precautionary measure arising from the fear of an Anglo-Turkish-Soviet link up through the Balkans, and in that event it is thought that the Germans may not proceed further.

Another opinion is that the occupation of Rumania is part of the declared Axis intention to gain mastery of the Mediterranean, in which case Turkey would have to reckon with a German attempt to force a crossing of the Straits and Anatolia, while Greece would be faced with invasion both from Bulgaria and Albania.

Diplomatic circles anticipate that the conversion of military operations against the Mediterranean will lead to still closer military collaboration between Britain and Turkey.—Reuter.

Duchess Of Kent As A Nurse

London, Oct. 15.

It has now been revealed that the Duchess of Kent has been working at University College Hospital under the name of "Sister Kay" for the last three months to complete a course of training in nursing. Only a few of the staff knew her identity and several patients had commented on the fact that "Sister Kay" bore a surprising resemblance to the Duchess of Kent.

When the Duke of Kent, as President of the Hospital, recently paid a visit the Duchess was presented to him with other nurses and stood in a group at the entrance which cheered her husband as he left the hospital.—British Wireless.

Mercantile Losses Decline To Half

London, Oct. 15.

Mercantile losses from enemy action in the week ended at midnight on October 6, showed a further decline from the higher figures reached a fortnight previously and were in fact little more than half the average weekly loss of 87,000 tons during the previous 10 weeks.

The losses for the week were seven British vessels totalling 24,943 tons gross, two allied vessels of 2,464 tons gross, and one neutral vessel of 3,087 tons gross, making in all 10 vessels totalling 31,094 tons.

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A CALL TO THE BALKANS

THESE days most people are turning to each other with the questions "What do you think Bulgaria will do?" "Is Rumania going to become another Indo-China?" "Will Turkey fight for us if necessary?" "Will Russia give the Nazis a free hand?" "Is Greece going to let us use her naval bases when we want them?"

The series of questions goes on and the dreadful answers are slowly and inexorably churned out by the Nazi-Fascist machine. They are dreadful answers because millions of peaceful people whose narrow lives should never have encompassed more than their own domain, are being tortured to death by that machine. Turn suddenly from parochial pursuits they learn that the old evils they hoped they had buried with their school days have become a reality. The Hun is on the war path again and his monstrous modernized hordes have taken the pitiless path of conquest. The Italian has donned his armour and aspires to become a Roman controlling the destinies of the world.

Heroic pictures these in the pagantry of this tumultuous little tea cup of a world. They ignore the intolerance, deliberate cruelty, hate and greed that fuels the machine. They discount the millions of young lives that were born to fructify but were instead, sacrificed for causes which they never fully understood and which their ancestors and predecessors also fought for in vain.

Happily a defence is always found for the most terrifying form of attack. Against the spirit of conquest and all that it implies in this day, there has arisen the latent determination of the British spirit. Self-preservation, the retention of our way of living and a firm defiance of the will to subdue, has stirred us to a pitch which is only heightened by reverse but will, when our sword is sharpened to its keenest edge, bear us on to victory as inexorably as the evil forces of Germany and Italy are spreading over Europe to-day.

One can only desire that the little nations of the Balkans will call truce to their internal disputes, which have been many and long. Standing singly in suspicion of their neighbours and far from the example of a free, democratic people, they are easy spoil for the Nazi military-cum-agreement machines. The things they make, the food they grow, the armies they drill, will be moulded into weapons against themselves by their Nazi masters unless a bold blow for freedom is struck in time to rouse the spark that will set Eastern Europe to flame against the Axis.

Unhappily the Balkans have nearly suffered oppression of some form or another from their own rulers and classes and governments. It remains to be seen whether or not their own land has not been quenched utterly. A new enemy to Hitlerism in Eastern Europe will help our cause; a quiescent victim will only give it more justice.

NAZI AIR STRATEGY?

THE question most people are asking is whether the British air victory has halted the German invasion plans. The answer depends on whether the air attack is a thing apart or was intended as the preliminary to invasion.

All the evidence available points to the attack being a challenge to the strength of the R.A.F. and a series of defeats inflicted on us might very well have brought forward one of the enemy schemes to land troops in Britain.

On the trial of strength may have depended the whole future of German invasion policy, which was framed on limitations and relied on winning mastery in the air before it could be made effective as a plan.

The long-drawn-out combat has given air supremacy in the combats to Britain. The R.A.F. has won the first great battle in the history of military aviation and won it by a margin we ourselves hardly hoped to attain, confident though our air-men were that they had a better force than the Germans, even if smaller.

On those figures came a quiet day, something of a renewal next day, and new planning. An air-escorted Army is ruled out on the general showing, and it is said that Hitler has ordered a blockade of England, which means increased attacks on shipping and the use of small naval craft.

PARCELS FOR PRISONERS

The Red Cross and St. John War Organisation has issued a statement showing what may or may not be sent, and how things may be sent, to prisoners of war in Germany.

The International Convention provides that not later than one week after his arrival in a prison camp a prisoner can send a post-card to his family telling them of his capture and the state of his health.

If the post is delayed, the family may not receive this for some time. Officers may send three letters and four postcards each month; other ranks, two letters and four postcards. All correspondence to and from prisoners of war goes post free. Photographs may not be included.

Letters to prisoners should not exceed two sides of a sheet of notepaper—they should be posted in the ordinary way, but without a stamp—and not sent to the Red Cross Organisation. The sender should write his name and address on the back of the envelope, unless he is a member of his Majesty's Forces, in which case he must give the address of a friend or relative in this country, and arrange for letters so addressed to be forwarded to him.

Letters cannot be sent to a prisoner unless the camp address is known. The form of address is:—
PRISONERS OF WAR POST STAMP
Service No., Rank, Name, British
Prisoner of War (No. if known)
Camp Germany.

No attempt should be made to communicate with prisoner through people in neutral countries. No telegrams are allowed.

GIFTS OF CLOTHING

Relatives may send by ordinary parcel post (no special label is needed) suitable clothes and toilet accessories to the Clothing Section, St. James's Palace, as soon as the permanent camp address is known. Only one 10lb. parcel (not counting packing) may be sent. Items which make the parcel overweight cannot be returned.

The name and address of the prisoner and the name and address of the sender should be clearly written on the outside and inside of the parcel. A list of the contents must be included. The following items are suggested:—
1 shirt, 1 pair pants, 1 vest, socks, towel, blanket, 1 shawl, 1 handkerchief, 1 brush, 1 comb, 1 razor, 1 toothbrush, 1 tin of toothpaste in tin, pipe, razor, blades, shaving stick.

No tubes, jars, or bottles are allowed. The following clothes must not be sent:—
Complete suits, coloured trousers, sports coats or blazers, macintoshes, or any kind of overcoat or jacket.

Prisoners whose relatives cannot give clothing, or can only give part of the parcel, will be supplied from the Red Cross and St. John, St. James's Palace, London, S.W.1.

FUNNY SIDE UP By Abner Dean



"I hear the firm is giving you two weeks vacation at MY desk, Mr. Peopple!"

In looking back at the fighting it seems that the attacks in the South were meant to draw strength from the East Coast and leave the industrial areas unprotected. Had we drawn any squadrons South, we could have given the enemy casualties at the ratio of eight to one instead of the four to one achieved by dependence on local forces.

Clearly, we defeated enemy strategy in that way and beat him at the same time. The air attack has been going on for two months, and from zero to peak, it has the following course:—

1. Reconnaissance flights to locate warship distribution in the North Sea;
2. Raids against shipping to test our convoy defence;
3. Raids on our coasts reconnoitring defensive strength;
4. Attempts to drive shipping from the Channel;
5. Raids on the coast and Channel by a hundred aeroplanes involving losses of three to one;
6. Wider radius with 300 machines and losses four to one;
7. Attack increased to 500 and losses six to one; victory propaganda to cover losses;
8. Massed attack by 1,500 over wide area and losses five to one, perhaps six to one, victory bulletins of amazing successes for German arms to hide the truth;
9. Temporary halt in the German attack with a probable loss of 650 machines during August and estimated loss of 1,600 pilots and gunners; local attacks renewed yesterday.

BRUSSELS—A DEAD CITY

From A Belgian Correspondent

Belgians who were in Brussels during the first weeks of the German occupation, and have since succeeded in escaping to neutral countries, state that the absence of transport and raw materials prevents any return to normal economic life in Belgium and Northern France.

Hundreds of bridges have disappeared, and the wooden structures which have taken their place are not strong enough to bear trains or motor-cars, except at a snail's pace. Traffic on the canals is also painfully slow on account of the obstructions caused by debris from wrecked bridges, and many railway and canal routes are entirely unusable.

Brussels, formerly so lively and gay, has become a dead city, according to these informants. Trams do not run after 9.30 p.m., and few cars are to be seen as the military authorities have requisitioned many and petrol is difficult to get.

Motor-lorries no longer of use for the army have been seized by the Germans to commercial and industrial firms, who use them for goods transport.

Food has been severely rationed and there is destitution everywhere. Anyone who has cash available buys articles of prime necessity whenever he has the chance.

Most of the cafes are open, but when Germans enter the Belgian customers fall silent and soon begin to leave, one by one, without waiting to finish their drinks.

It is evident, however, that the Germans have received instructions to show politeness and even kindness on every occasion. With an ostentation which makes the Belgians laugh, the Germans, give up their seats in the tram to old or infirm passengers, and in the streets, firm passengers, and in the streets, they are to be seen giving cigarettes to beggars.

Occasionally the German authorities announce that they have arrested a German soldier who failed to show respect to civilians, and the guilty

JAPANESE GIVING BACK CANTONESE FACTORIES

Special to the "Telegraph"

CANTON, Oct. 15 (Domei).—An agreement providing for the return of Chinese factories formerly managed by the Kwangtung Provincial Government and the Canton Municipality and temporarily under the control of Japanese military authorities following the occupation of Canton, was signed by Japanese and Chinese representatives at the International Club this afternoon.

EMBASSY DUG-OUT

Does Not Escape Japanese Bomb

CHUNGKING, Oct. 16 (Reuter).—The removal of the British Embassy and Consulate General offices from the south bank of the Yangtze opposite Chungking back to the former premises on "Consular Lane" in the city proper, has been further delayed as the result of the Japanese bombing of the Consular Lane district.

The signature followed the prolonged negotiations between a Japanese commission and the Kwangtung Provincial Government and the Canton Municipality conducted in accordance with the declarations of the Japanese Military and Naval Commanders-in-Chief in South China on July 19 announcing the intentions of the Japanese authorities to return the factories to their proper owners.

A communiqué issued to-day by the Japanese commission says that the negotiations would uphold the cause of Sino-Japanese co-operation in a new East Asia.

The return of the property has been decided on by the Japanese with a view to accelerating Sino-Japanese economic co-operation, Chinese economic rehabilitation, and assisting the Provincial and Municipal Government finances.

BRITISH TAXES

Immediate Yield Sought

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Oct. 15 (UP).—The Chancellor of the Exchequer, Sir Kingsley Wood, spoke to the House of Commons regarding the purchase tax which is coming into effect October 21. He said that it was imperative to obtain taxes to yield as quickly as possible; he was of the opinion that the consumer generally would not feel the load of the tax immediately.

There is no justification for increasing the prices on the fairly large stocks that are already in the retailers' hands," he declared. The registration of retailers was so satisfactory that 40,000, representing the great majority of those concerned, were already on the lists. He hoped to institute shortly a voluntary scheme whereby State insurance on essential belongings of persons whose income is above the present insurance limit of £400 per year as well as on possessions other than essential clothing and furniture of persons earning below the limit.

Red Army Adopts New Stringent Discipline

MOSCOW, Oct. 15 (Reuter).—"The discipline of the Red Army must be stronger, higher and more exacting" than in other armies where it is based on class subordination," declares the "Red Star," commenting on Marshal Timoshenko's new disciplinary code for the Red Army.

The newspaper continues, "The tense international situation compels us to be in a state of constant and complete military preparedness. The code gives officers complete authority. Officers will not be held responsible for the consequences when they have to use force in order to restore discipline."

"Officers who do not show firmness and do not take necessary measures, will be tried by court martial."

The code also provides severe penalties for officers who are held to be inefficient.

EGYPT AND THE WAR

Britain Will Wait For Decision

LONDON, Oct. 15 (Reuter).—Egypt was not a country of impatience; it was a country of democracy and her interests were intimately bound up with those of Great Britain, declared Lord Lloyd, Secretary of State for the Colonies to-day.

He added that if the people of Egypt have their way, there was no doubt on which side in this war their energies and sympathies would lie.

Lord Lloyd was perfectly content to await the decision of the Egyptian people and he was certain that it would be one of enormous help to the cause for which Britain was fighting.

All Fronts Quiet

CAIRO, Oct. 15 (Reuter).—A G.H.Q. communiqué states that all fronts are quiet. There is nothing to report.

Lord Lothian For London

WASHINGTON, Oct. 15 (Reuter).—Lord Lothian, the British Ambassador, is flying to London on Government instructions for consultations.

A spokesman said that Lord Lothian was going on a routine visit—his first since the outbreak of war. There was no special significance in the trip and it did not involve any of the negotiations proceeding or projected with the United States.

BRITISH GUNS SHELL FRANCE

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Oct. 15 (UP).—The British long range guns fired several shells across the Straits of Dover this afternoon.

The reflection of the bursting shells against the clouds was visible but the target.

U.S. NAVY STILL On Manoeuvres

LONDON, Oct. 15 (Reuter).—United States Fleet manoeuvres are being continued in the Pacific Ocean. These manoeuvres have been held all through summer.

To-day 20 American warships left Hawaii to take part in further exercises.

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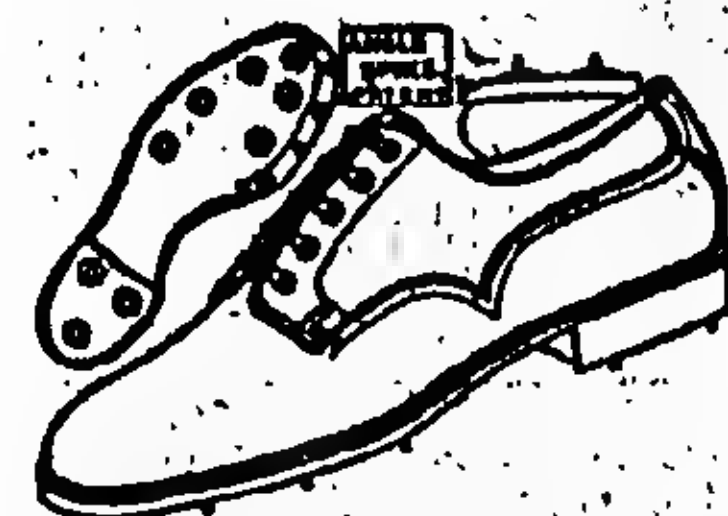
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Death Penalty In Occupied France

Nazi Decree

LONDON, Oct. 15 (Reuter).—The death penalty has been imposed by the German authorities in occupied France for the "crime" of harbouring British subjects, according to the Paris radio.

Persons sheltering Britons are given five days to report. Britons, within the meaning of the decree, include residents of the Dominions and the Colonies.

Another decree of the German military administration imposes the death penalty for sheltering fugitive prisoners of war of French or other nationalities.

NAZI CLAIMS

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BERLIN, Oct. 15 (UP).—The German High Command to-day announced that a U-boat had sunk a 1,275-ton British merchant ship.

A second U-boat sank two tankers totalling 20,000 tons and severely damaged another steamer from a convoy while a third U-boat sank a 4,900-ton enemy merchant ship.

Alleged Channel Attack

BERLIN, Oct. 15 (UP).—"Forty Englishmen were captured, two enemy U-boat chasers and two small merchant ships were destroyed during a German torpedo boat attack on the British Channel coast several days ago," the German High Command announced to-day.

LOYAL NATIVES

Turkiana Tribe Offers Young Men

NAIROBI, Oct. 15 (Reuter).—In a personal message to His Majesty, the Paramount Chief, Abong, of the Turkiana tribe, has offered to the King the services of all the young men of the tribe and has asked the Kenya military authorities to make them soldiers.

It will be recalled that the Turkiana tribe has been recently in action with British troops in patrol work along the Kenya-Abyssinia front west of Lake Rudolf.

Flying Fortresses For Britain

Almost Certain

WASHINGTON, Oct. 15 (Reuter).—"Flying fortresses" are going to Britain, according to well-informed American quarters here.

Exactly when President Roosevelt will sign the necessary documents turning back these giant bombers to markets for transfer to Britain is uncertain, but no-one doubts that it will be soon be forthcoming.

One authoritative source told "Reuter" that it would not surprise him if 30 fortresses were flown to Botwood Harbour, Newfoundland, this week.

Peiping Americans Get Ready To Leave

TOKYO, Oct. 15 (Reuter).—The first batch of American evacuees, numbering 100, is leaving Peiping for the United States at the end of the month, according to "Domei."

The group consists of families of the Embassy and employees of American firms.

Approximately another 250 American women and children are making preparations for evacuation.

Mostly Missionaries

CHUNGKING, Oct. 16 (Central News).—Observers close to American quarters are inclined to take the issue of the evacuation notification by the interior of China as a routine step. They point out that most of the 400 Americans resident in the interior of China are missionaries. Their work has been hampered by the Japanese "hostilities." There is no necessity for them to withdraw.

Burma Road

LONDON, Oct. 15 (Reuter).—The Chinese Ambassador, Dr. Quo Tui-chi, called on Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, at the Foreign Office to-day.

It is understood that questions arising from the re-opening of the Burma Road were discussed.

Before seeing Mr. Butler, Dr. Quo had a 45-minute conversation with Lord Halifax, the Foreign Secretary.

The talks are described as having occurred in a most cordial atmosphere.

It is stated in Chinese quarters that among the subjects discussed was the possibility of Anglo-Chinese co-operation, including practical assistance.

REPATRIATING KWANGSI PEOPLE

KWEILIN, Oct. 16.—The Kwangsi Provincial Government has announced that Kwangsi refugees now in Hongkong who are short of travelling expenses to return to their native province may apply to the Hongkong office of the Kwangsi Relief Commission for help.

After registration, they will be assembled and sent back to Kwangsi. Upon arrival they will be given accommodation.

DAKAR EPISODE

Responsibility Taken By Britain

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Oct. 15 (Domei).—Mr. Winston Churchill, declared in the Commons to-day that the Government would take full responsibility for the unsuccessful expedition to Dakar apart from technical mishaps.

Stressing Britain's determination to continue the war to victory, the Prime Minister said that world opinion, in so far as it is free, is "thoroughly behind us."

Britain was not fighting the war merely to maintain the status quo but inter alia, in order to survive.

Mr. Churchill, however, refrained from defining Britain's war aims until the British capacity to survive has been "generally recognised."

SECRET SOCIETY

Undermining International Settlement

CHUNGKING, Oct. 16 (Central News).—A secret organisation which aims at the rendition of the International Settlement, and the French Concession is reported to have been formed in Shanghai by the Wang Ching-wei regime.

The organisation which is named "Vanguard Unit of the Greater East Asia Reconstruction Commission" is said to be under Ku Chi-wu, "Minister of Social Affairs."

Anti-British and anti-American handbills were distributed by the organisation early this month.

Ambulance Gift From Hongkong

An ambulance donated by subscribers in Hongkong will shortly be in commission in England.

Recent subscriptions received by the British War Organisation Fund, Hongkong Branch, for the special object of supplying ambulances for use in England, now amount to \$5,127.

An offer has been received from the makers' works in England for a number of ambulances for \$3,800, and owing to the probability of advancing prices, it was decided to close with the offer and to make up the balance from the funds of the B.W.O.F. here.

It is hoped that further subscriptions will be forthcoming, to cover this balance, and for further similar purchases.

The ambulance donated will bear the lettering "Hongkong 1."

CORRECTION

Mrs. W. J. Kemp, one of the applicants at yesterday's meeting of the Evacuation Advisory Committee, points out that in our report we credited her with referring to the Governor, when she actually said "Government." We regret the mistake.

Treatment Of British Prisoners

Protest Probable

LONDON, Oct. 15 (Reuter).—In connection with reports that British prisoners of war had been at work clearing up debris around Calais, Sir Edward Grigg, Joint Parliamentary Secretary of State for War, said to-day that this is contrary to the Geneva Convention.

If the reports are confirmed, a strong protest will be lodged with the German Government.

Sir Edward said that we are not using prisoners of war to fill bomb craters, etc., because even if the enemy breaks the Convention we should not. He also said that British prisoners of war are being rationed like the German troops but the scale is lower than that in Britain.

Famous U.S. Yacht For The Scrap Heap

Boston, Aug. 28

The yacht Rainbow, successful defender of the famous America's Cup in 1934 and built by Harold S. Vanderbilt at a cost of nearly a half million dollars, headed for the scrap heap.

She was stripped of all fittings preparatory to being reduced to scrap metal at the sawyer shipyard. It was reported the yacht brought around \$12,000.

Shanghai Strike Mediation

CHUNGKING, Oct. 16 (Central News).—A Shanghai dispatch states that the tramway and bus employees in the French Concession resumed their strike owing to the refusal of Mr. Yu Ya-ching, who is a member of the Shanghai Municipal Council, to continue to act as a mediator.

Two other prominent Chinese, Wei Ting-yung and Keng Chia-chi, have now offered their good offices and are negotiating for a settlement.

Moscow Not Told Of Troops In Rumania

MOSCOW, Oct. 15 (Reuter).—A statement that the Soviet Government was informed in advance of the aims and the number of troops sent to Rumania by Germany does not correspond to facts, the "Tass" agency is authorised to state.

CHUNGKING APPOINTMENTS

CHUNGKING, Oct. 16 (Central News).—The National Government yesterday appointed Mr. Yeh Teh-min to be Chinese Consul at Penang, and Mr. Shen Wei-fan to be Chinese Consul General at Khabarovsk in the U.S.S.R.

Mr. Huan Ting-kai, outgoing Consul at Penang, has been recalled to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

STOCK EXCHANGE SHARP RISE IN GILT EDGED SHARES

LONDON, Oct. 15 (Reuter).—A sharp rise in gilt-edged stock was the chief feature of to-day's trading. War loans closed 18s. 9d. higher at 2102 1/2, which was the highest reached in the current year.

Industrial and gold-mining shares, which were quiet, steady while home rails tended to strengthen. Japanese bonds improved.

Wall Street was also steady.

American Planes For China

CHUNGKING, Oct. 16 (Reuter).—News of the possibility of China obtaining fighters and bombers ordered by Sweden but now held by the United States, is generally welcomed here since China urgently needs aircraft to protect traffic on the vital Burma Road when it re-opens on October 18 and also to defend cities in the interior of China.

Red Army Adopts New Stringent Discipline

MOSCOW, Oct. 15 (Reuter).—"The discipline of the Red Army must be stronger, higher and more exacting" than in other armies where it is based on class subordination," declares the "Red Star," commenting on Marshal Timoshenko's new disciplinary code for the Red Army.

The newspaper continues, "The tense international situation compels us to be in a state of constant and complete military preparedness. The code gives officers complete authority. Officers will not be held responsible for the consequences when they have to use force in order to restore discipline."

"Officers who do not show firmness and do not take necessary measures, will be tried by court martial."

The code also provides severe penalties for officers who are held to be inefficient.

H.K. Stock Market

The following quotations were issued on the Hongkong Stock Market this morning.

BANKS
H.K. Banks \$ 1,225 ss.
H.K. Banks £ 58 1/2 n.
H.K. Banks (H.K.) £ 70 n.
Chartered £ 7 n.
Mercantile, A. & B. £ 20 1/2 n.
Mercantile, C. £ 30 3/4 n.
East Asia £ 72 n.

INSURANCES
Canton £ 185 s.
Union £ 380 s.
China Underwriters £ 1 n.
H.K. Fire £ 150 s.

SHIPPING
Douglases £ 120 n.
Steamships £ 11 n.
Indo-China £ 100 n.
Indo-China D. £ 80 n.
Shell (Bearers) s/ 30 3/4 n.
Waterboats £ 60 n.

DOCKS ETC.
Wharves £ 89 1/2 n.
Docks (old) £ 16 1/2 n.
Docks (new) £ 10 s.
Providents £ 4 1/2 n.
Shai Dockyards £ 20 1/2 n.

MINING
Kallian s/ 14/- n.
Rauba s/ 9 1/2 n.
H.K. Mines £ 1 1/2 cts. n.

LANDS
Hotels £ 30 s.
Lands £ 30 1/2 s.
Lands 4% Debentures £ 100 n.
Shai Lands Sh. £ 10 n.
Humphreys £ 10 n.
H.K. Realities £ 30 s.
Chinese Estates £ 103 n.

UTILITIES
Trams £ 15 1/2 n.
Peak Trams (old) £ 7 1/2 n.
Peak Trams (new) £ 3 7/8 n.
Star Ferries £ 59 1/2 n.
Y. Ferries £ 22 1/2 n.
China Lights (old) £ 6 1/2 s.
China Lights (new) £ 6 s. & ss.
H.K. Electric (old) 35 1/2 s. & ss.
H.K. Electric (new) £ 36 s.
Macao Electric (old) £ 17 n.
Macao Electric (new) £ 10 n.
Sandakan Lights £ 11 n.
Telephones (old) £ 23 1/2 s.
Telephones (new) £ 1 1/2 s.

INDUSTRY
Cold: Mang. (Ord.), Sh. £ 14.80 n.
Cold: Mang. (Pref.), Sh. £ 12 n.
Canton Ices £ 1 n.
Cementa £ 18 1/2 n.
H.K. Ropes £ 6 s.

STORES, &c.
Dairy Farms £ 17 1/2 n.
Watsons £ 8.60 s.
Lane Cross £ 7.45 n.
Sinceres £ 2.15 n.
Wing On (H.K.) £ 39 n.
Powell Ltd. £ 1 n.

COTTON MILLS
Ewo Sh. £ 35 n.
Shui Cotton Sh. £ 181 n.

MISC.
H.K. Govt. 4% £ 99 n.
H.K. Govt. 3 1/2% (1934) £ 95 ss.
H.K. Govt. 8 1/2% (1940) £ 95 ss.
Ch. Govt. 6 1/2% (1934) £ 95 ss.
H.K. Debentures £ 6.60 n.
Constructions (old) £ 1.60 n.
Constructions (new) £ 1 n.
Vibro Piling £ 8 s.
Marsmans Inv. (Lon.) s/ 7/6 n.
Marsmans Inv. (H.K.) s/ 2/8 n.

Mr. Kennedy Not To Resign

WASHINGTON, Oct. 15 (Reuter).—Mr. Cordell Hull, the Secretary of State, stated that Mr. Joseph P. Kennedy, the American Ambassador to London, was leaving London for Washington within a week or ten days.

Mr. Hull added that Mr. Kennedy will be returning to his post after consultation, so far as he knew.

Same Old Adolf!

LONDON, Oct. 15 (Reuter).—"Absolute confidence in Adolf Hitler's victory" was expressed by Hitler in a brief address to a deputation of German farmers whom he received at the Chancellery in Berlin.

"Victory is still added Hitler," it was said, "does his best at his post—the farmer on his fields, the worker in his factory and the soldier at the front."

Around The Courses

Activities At Fanling

Preparations For The Amateur Championship

KOWLOON-HAPPY VALLEY MATCH

(By "Birdie")

THOUGHTS AT FANLING are mainly concerned with the coming Amateur Championship which will be played on Sunday, October 27. As from Monday the Royal Hongkong Golf Club has been open to members of outside Clubs who have entered the competition, and some of these players have already been active over both the New and Old Courses.

There is no gainsaying that the R.H.K.G.C. course is the course of the Colony, and, as foremost Golf Club and the only Club with 36 holes, is best suited to conduct the championship.

But there is the obvious factor that must be something of a handicap to outside golfers and that is the playing on a strange course. I do not write this as something that could be remedied; it is, I think, just an unfortunate fact.

The throwing open of the course two weeks before the Championship is a generous allowance by the Committee of the R.H.K.G.C. and if all outside competitors could get away for those two weeks and devote their time to playing out there, they would be able to digest the topography of the course in that period and the Championship day would have no drawbacks.

I had a score card that was given to me some time ago, tabulated so that a graph of one's scores could be made. Those between 100 and 120 are tabulated. "If you are in this class you are neglecting your golf." Scores between 90 and 99 are "The Danger Zone" but scores between 70 and 89 are "If you are in this class you are neglecting your business."

This apparently doesn't hold good for Hongkong, for only a few of our top-notchers can get away for the whole of the practice period at Fanling. However, this, as I have said, is only a comment on fact.

THE end of this week should see the sand greens at the Country Club, Sheungshui, in playing condition again. The rains had caked them almost as hard as concrete, and it was impossible to pitch on them and hope to stay.

The season is only just starting, and the full roll have not yet commenced to play, but I would reiterate once more the request that greater attention be paid to conditions of the sand in bunkers and on the greens.

Footsteps in bunkers should be along the shortest line of approach to the ball and should be obliterated

after a shot has been played, and shoes with protrudances that are likely to corrugate the surface of the greens should not be worn.

AT a recent meeting of the Country Club Committee, Mr. F. E. D'Almada Remedios was elected Captain of the Club. He will probably play himself in on November 10, which is the date of the annual "At Home".

On this latter date the usual competitions will be held. These will be driving, ladder and clock golf, approaching, and in all probability a Tomstone competition. The Committee also hope to inaugurate Bogey Pool competitions at more regular periods, and a match is being sought with the Kowloon Golf Club.

THE bi-annual match between the Kowloon G. C. and Happy Valley comes off this Sunday. Sixteen-a-side, with two reserves, who also play, the match commences at 9 a.m. with the singles, and four-balls are played in the afternoon after 1 p.m. The latter are usually extremely jolly affairs!

Kowloon is sending a full complement of 10 members into the Championship at Fanling, and it is expected that K. S. McKenzie, one of their newer members who has recently arrived from Australia where his handicap was 6, should figure prominently in the Visitor's Cup.

STARTING times for Sunday's match are (Kowloon players named first):

MORNING

9.00 & 10.30 a.m. R. K. Collins & D. B. Edwards
9.05 & 10.35 a.m. A. C. Dennis & A. McKellar
9.10 & 10.40 a.m. C. F. Phillips & A. C. Bowles
9.15 & 10.45 a.m. W. C. Miller & D. Humphreys

Manila Swimming Team Arriving Per Schedule

Advice from Manila was received yesterday by Mr. A. O. Barretto, Hon. Secretary of the Victoria Recreation Club, that the Philippines' interport swimming team will be arriving in Hongkong as per schedule on October 22, Tuesday next, by the Kamo Maru. Next difficulty, which will probably be easily overcome, is the obtaining permission for the foreign delegates to land in Hongkong.

The Interport Swimming Meet, therefore, will be held on October 24, 25 and 26—Thursday, Friday and Saturday—next week.

Inter-Hong Swim Netts \$2,280

THE MAGNIFICENT SUM of \$2,280 was received by the "S. C. M. Post" and "H. K. Telegraph" Bomber Fund this morning as proceeds from the Inter-Hong Swimming Gala held at the European Y.M.C.A. on September 27.

\$1,729 From Volunteers' Aquatic Gala

A further sum of \$1,729 has been received from the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps, which sum was the proceeds of their Inter-Unit Swimming Meet held on Saturday last at the Army Pool.

EXPRESSION OF THANKS To all who assisted in the organising of these two galas, the respective Committees extend their deepest thanks.

9.20 & 10.50 a.m. K. S. McKenzie & W. Sharp
9.25 & 10.55 a.m. A. O. Eastman & T. Low
9.30 & 11.00 a.m. W. C. Simpson & H. Mundy
9.35 & 11.05 a.m. H. Mundy & W. V. Ahern & A. D. Humphreys
9.40 & 11.10 a.m. E. C. Fincher & H. Smith
9.45 & 11.15 a.m. A. W. Ramsay & G. E. Willerton
9.50 & 11.20 a.m. W. A. Stewart & D. Forster
9.55 & 11.25 a.m. F. C. Barry & A. H. Penn
10.00 & 11.30 a.m. J. D. Thomson & N. J. Bebbington
10.05 & 11.35 a.m. T. Lamb & O. Davies
10.10 & 11.40 a.m. A. A. Lopes & T. B. Low
10.15 & 11.45 a.m. W. Karshaw & N. J. Bookar
10.20 & 11.50 a.m. H. J. Grose & W. Stoker
10.25 & 11.55 a.m. E. O. Murphy & E. Greenwood

AFTERNOON

2.15 p.m. R. K. Collins & A. J. Dennis v. D. B. Edwards & A. McKellar
2.20 p.m. H. F. Phillips & W. B. Miller v. A. C. I. Bowker & D. Humphreys
2.25 p.m. K. S. McKenzie & A. L. Eastman v. W. Sharp & T. Low
2.30 p.m. W. C. Simpson & H. Mundy v. H. Mundy & W. V. Ahern & A. D. Humphreys
2.35 p.m. E. C. Fincher & A. W. Ramsay v. H. Smith & G. E. Willerton
2.40 p.m. W. A. Stewart & D. Forster v. F. C. Barry & A. H. Penn
2.45 p.m. D. Thomson & T. Lamb v. N. J. Bebbington & O. Davies
2.50 p.m. A. A. Lopes & T. B. Low v. W. Karshaw & N. J. Bookar

INTER-UNIT LAWN BOWLS



Lt. A. A. Dand and Sgt. W. H. B. Muskett, of the Pay Section, keenly interested in their skip's wood as it comes in. Pay Section beat No. 1 Coy 29-12 at the Kowloon B.G.C. on Sunday last in the inter-Unit Lawn Bowls competition.—Ming Yuen.

Bowls Singles Quarter-Finals

F. J. Jones Eliminates W. J. Howard 22-20 In Thrilling Match

TWO of the quarter-final matches in the Lawn Bowls Singles Championship were played yesterday at the Kowloon Football Club—F. J. Jones beating W. J. Howard 21-20 on the 24th, and M. R. Abbas beating C. C. Pereira 21-9 on the 18th.

The first of these games was one of decided thrills, but the second proved a walk-over for Abbas in that Pereira was definitely off form.

Howard, apparently, found difficulty in the speed of the K.F.C. green, and for the opening six heads was quite erratic, and conceding a 4 on the 6th end was 10-0 in arrears before he commenced scoring on the 7th.

With a brilliant sequence, however, which included two 3's, he not only drew up to Jones but he passed him and led 12-10 on the 13th. Jones took the lead again on the 15th at 13-12, but with his 2 on the succeeding head, Howard regained the advantage which he never lost until the final head.

The second last head, the 23rd, was one of great excitement. Leading 20-17, and possibly lying one Howard lost his 3-shot lead when Jones, with his last wood, executed a brilliant shot that not only pushed out Howard's possible counter, but took over the jack to leave himself lying three.

Then there was greater excitement as wood by wood the bowlers bowled for the last head—the score being 20-20. Jones laid one shot with his third wood. Howard had very bad luck with his third wood when he narrowly failed to wick the jack, which had he done would have given him the shot. Then Jones drew another with his last wood, but Howard was wide.

The scores were:

F. J. Jones	W. J. Howard
1	1
2	2
3	3
4	4
5	5
6	6
7	7
8	8
9	9
10	10
11	11
12	12
13	13
14	14
15	15
16	16
17	17
18	18
19	19
20	20
21	21
22	22

M. R. Abbas Proves Too Accurate

M. R. ABBAS proved far too consistent and accurate for C. C. Pereira on the same green. The latter was much off form, and consequently at no period of the game did he appear a likely winner.

Abbas opened with a possible that was the result of simple drawing to the jack. On several heads, however, Pereira had bad luck when he missed the jack narrowly, for on each occasion had he succeeded in his design, he would have scored.

The scores were:

M. R. Abbas	C. C. Pereira
1	1
2	2
3	3
4	4
5	5
6	6
7	7
8	8
9	9
10	10
11	11
12	12
13	13
14	14
15	15
16	16
17	17
18	18
19	19
20	20
21	21
22	22

Swimming

Small Units Win Area Challenge Cup

Middlesex Defeated 2-1 In Water-Polo Final

DEFEATING Middlesex 2-1 in the final of the Large Units Knock-out water-polo tournament in the Army Pool yesterday Combined Small Units thus captured the Area Aggregate Challenge Cup for this year.

Middlesex were unfortunate to lose the match yesterday, being defeated by a penalty goal scored in the closing minutes of the game. General fault of the players, however, was their continually attempting to score with long shots. This was shared by both teams.

Both the first two goals came from close in—the first from Dignan (Small Units) when he swam through to just outside the 4-yard area, and the second from Jennings (M'sex) who swam up to about the same distance—and all were scored in the second half.

It was in this half that Middlesex had the decided advantage, and it was most unfortunate that Bindon attempted to impede a free-throw taken by Mindon in the four-yard area, for he was ordered out of the bath, and Morgan scored from the penalty.

SPORTS ADVT.

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THE NINTH EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held (weather permitting) at HAPPY VALLEY on SATURDAY, 18th October, 1940, commencing at 2.00 p.m. The First Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m.

MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE No One without a badge will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure. Such must be worn throughout the duration of each Meeting in such a manner as to be readily identified.

Badges admitting Non-Members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$5.00 for Gentlemen and \$3.00 for Ladies (both including tax) are obtainable through the SECRETARY upon the personal or written application of a Member, such Member to be responsible for all visitors introduced by him, and for Payment of all Clubs, etc.

The Secretary's Office, 1st Floor, Exchange Building, (Tel. 27794) will close at 11.45 a.m.

Tickets are obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Box (Tel. 21920).

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE The price of Admission to the Public Enclosure is \$1.00 including Tax for all Persons, including Ladies, and is payable at the Gate. Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform are admitted Half Price.

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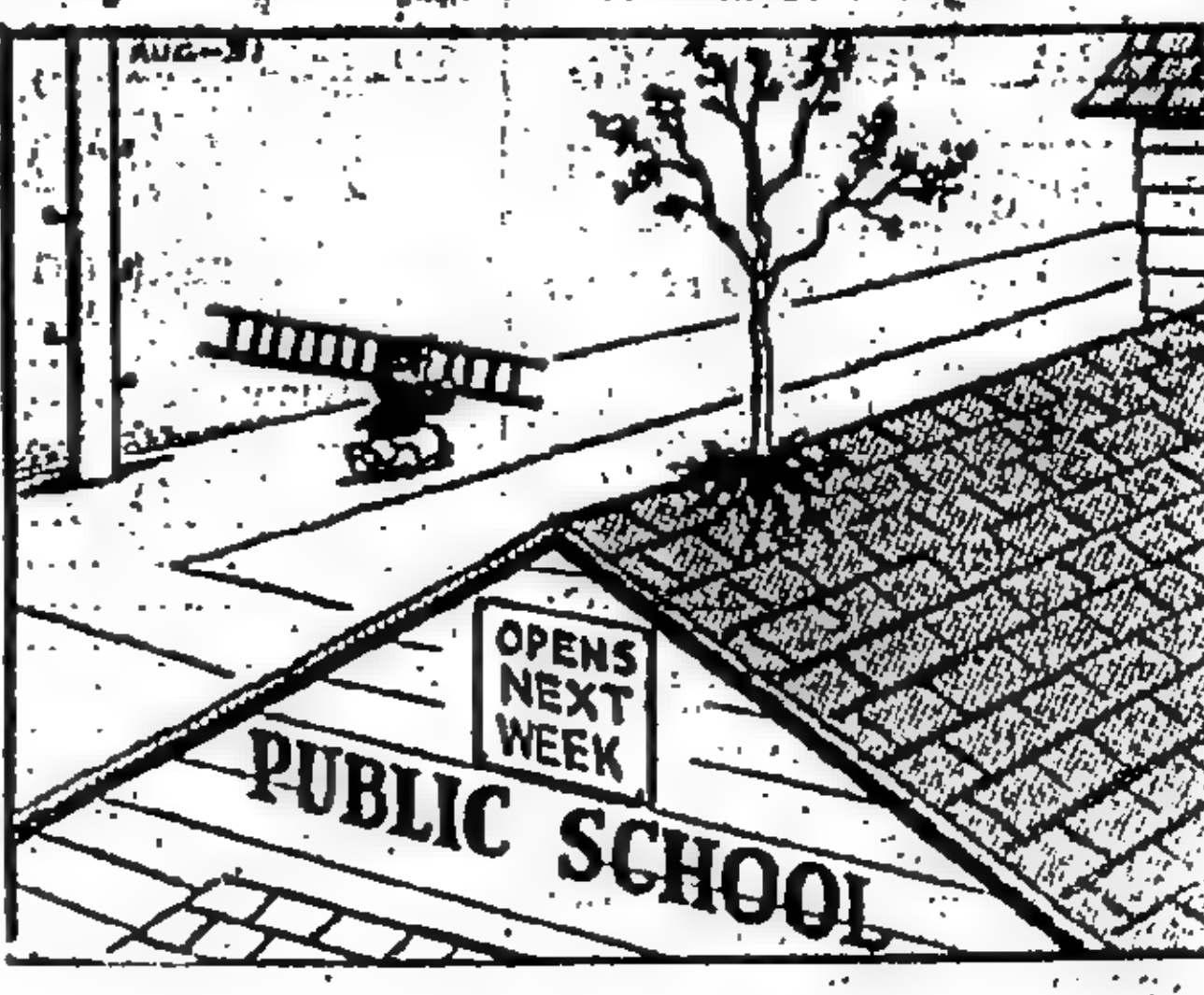


LIGHT & DARK BEER

NANCY



By Ernie Bushmiller



THEY CALL IT "WINSTON'S FOLLY"

— But It Has Done Its Job

LONDON, Aug. 30.—Three direct and apparently unexpected hits were scored by "Winston's folly" in a recent cross-Channel artillery duel.

"Winston's folly" was the name given one of the big southeast coast guns by an expert who thought the Prime Minister's idea for a big gun there tactically unsound.

After the Germans succeeded with a French railway gun in landing a few wild shots along the southeast coast, it was decided to try out the British gun.

Three salvoes were fired. The first shell landed about 20 yards from one big German coastal gun and apparently took the gun crew completely by surprise. They immediately brought all their anti-aircraft into play, aiming them high to find what they supposed to be a British bomber.

The second shot seemed to go a little wild, but landed in the centre of a dump where ammunition for the big gun was being loaded into cars.

Surprised Nazis

The third shot appeared to have gone wide of the mark, and landed in a wooded sector some distance from the coast.

That one may have been the luckiest of the lot, for what had looked like a wooded sector suddenly began disgorging men. The shell had discovered a large and well camouflaged German troop concentration.

The name "Winston's folly" will undoubtedly stick but some experts may have changed their minds about its appropriateness.

TALK AT Y.M.C.A.

A talk on "Chinese Legends" will be given by Mr. Walter C. Clark, illustrated by coloured slides, at the Y.M.C.A. West Lounge, at 9 o'clock next Sunday, October 20, under the auspices of the Discussion Group. All members and their friends, including ladies, are welcome.

BITTER PEACE TERMS FOR VICHY

REICH TO GRAB ALL FRENCH GOLD ABROAD

THE WHOLE OF FRANCE'S EASTERN FRONTIER, FROM THE NORTH SEA TO THE MEDITERRANEAN, IS TO BE PUSHED BACK UNDER TERMS WHICH GERMANY IS PREPARING TO FORCE ON THE PETAIN GOVERNMENT.

Italy is to get her spoils. The Riviera territory to the east of a line from Switzerland to the Mediterranean is to be handed over to Mussolini.

In the north the zone Dunkirk to Boulogne to a depth just north of Arras is to be named Flanders, and will be incorporated in the new Belgo-Dutch State which, as already reported, is to be under the rule of King Leopold of the Belgians.

Eupen and Malmédy have already been reincorporated in Germany, and Lorraine and Alsace are to be taken back with that part of the Briey iron-ore field which even in 1870 was left to France.

South of Alsace the territory of Belfort is to be annexed, together with the whole of the France Comtoise to the Swiss frontier.

This means the annexation of over 4,000,000 French people.

Overseas Wealth

The financial clauses of the peace are to be extremely severe. Germany, already collecting the necessary data through the Bank of France, will try to seize the entire fortune possessed by France abroad, mainly in the United States.

These foreign holdings will be made over as an essential preliminary to German evacuation of France. Meanwhile German manoeuvres, skilful though hidden, are making it impossible for the Petain Government to carry out any real reforms. It is to the interest of Germany to keep France as weak and disunited as possible.

The occupied territory is being stripped of all reserves of produce and wealth. Everything is being taken for German use.

Attacks on Petain

Unoccupied France is to be given no chance of restoring her strength until the end of the war.

For this reason the Germans are fostering the extremely violent attacks against the Petain Government, which are being made daily in the German-controlled, German-printed Paris Press.

France's North Africa Empire still maintains some independence, but the unfortunate Marshal Petain, on the orders of his German masters, and especially those of Herr Otto Abetz, Ribbentrop's ambassador, is striving to abolish or restrict its independence.

It is openly stated in Vichy that the object of the Germans is to weaken the Petain Administration by ridicule and by fostering partisan movements so that the Germans and Italians can say: "France is badly administered. We must step in to put things right."

It would follow that German and Italian troops would enter the present unoccupied zone, and strip away the last remnants of French independence.

It is being stated, especially urging this move because they badly want to lay hands on the naval arsenal at Toulon and on the port of Marseilles.

FRENCH IN COLONY

Committee Works Quietly, Efficiently

In a communique to the Press yesterday, M. Louis Blum, President of La France Libre, (Free Frenchmen Association), says:

"The Committee of La France Libre is working silently but efficiently. This is not a political party; on the contrary we accept all Frenchmen animated with the desire to see their beloved country regaining her liberty, power and splendid Empire."

"Thanks to our Chief, General de Gaulle, every day this immense Empire regains its consciousness and even with the reverse of Dakar the day is not very far distant when colonies and Protectorates will be together again, sharing with our gallant Allies the burden of the war until the final victory."

"In Hongkong many Frenchmen are rallying to the standard of General de Gaulle. The Committee is doing its utmost to send volunteers to England. Some are passing through and the Committee is taking care of them, giving them clothes and money and keeping them in a hotel until they leave."

"The Free Frenchmen in Hongkong have no hatred for their compatriots or even for the Government of Vichy and they try hard to persuade them to come and to help in the resurrection of France."

"France is not vanquished. The fault of an incompetent General Staff, composed for a major part, of old men without any knowledge of the new strategy of mass mechanised units and aircraft, aided by a handful of unscrupulous politicians, cannot change the spirit of a people who were the first to proclaim the three principles of Liberty, Equality and Fraternity."

"There are indications that everything is not so perfect in France and manifestations, even in the occupied area, are taking part daily."

"Defeatism, however, seems to be among the people, civilians and officers alike. In the Far East the click of Vichy is terrorising them, telling them that if they pass to de Gaulle their families in France will be sent to concentration camps and so on. That barbarous method cannot hold everybody and many of our compatriots, listening to reason, are coming to us."

"We don't want to exert any pressure; we are all Frenchmen living freely in a British Colony, trading like our ally without any restrictions and with complete freedom. For that we expect that the Committee of France Libre will continue to receive the support of all true Frenchmen in Hongkong."

"The Committee has decided to issue identification cards to all members, application for which should be made to the France Libre Headquarters, National Bank Building, 4th Floor No. 405."

"The Committee is very grateful to all persons who have contributed generous donations to General de Gaulle's Funds."

Cakes To-day As Usual, Says This Bombed Baker

WHILE British fighters played Old Harry with Nazi raiders in the air the other day, things were also happening on the ground below.

Here are some of the things that happened. Here, too, are other stories, ranging from the heroic to the comic, but all expressing the thumbs-up spirit of Britain in a blitzkrieg.

A south-east village baker was awakened earlier than usual and found that a bomb outside the shop had blown in his front window.

First thing he did was to persuade his wife to go to sleep again.

Second thing he did was to scrawl a big notice: "Don't let Hitler spoil your appetite. Bread and cakes as usual"—and stick it in front of his shop.

Then he got on with his usual day's baking.

Expected To Starve

A young Nazi airman woke up in a south coast hospital after his crash.

Presently he was brought a meal—generous helpings of fish freshly caught in the Channel, potatoes, greens, butter, fresh fruit and cream.

He goggled in amazement as the loaded tray was put in front of him. "But why are you so kind?" he asked. "You give me all this food when you have no food yourself!"

Swim To England

Story told one day of the last moments in troopship Mahomed Ali El-Kebir, sunk by a U-boat recently.

When all the rafts and boats had gone, thirty officers and men remained on board. They were wondering what to do. A naval petty officer said: "Come on mates, there'll be no way-be an England. Let's swim to it."

With that he dived into the Atlantic. Others followed, and were picked up by England's warships.

TO-DAY at the KING'S



'PLANES FROM PRISONS

Women prisoners in Aylesbury Gaol, Buckinghamshire, are giving a quarter of their "pay" for comforts for the troops and to help buy a Spitfire.

They can earn up to £10 a week, and their contributions range from 1d. to 2d. weekly.

The amount thus contributed is added to by the prison staff, and every week £2 is handed over to the comforts fund. Surplus, if any, is usually £2, and the money was given to Lord Beaverbrook for his Spitfire. Each week the surplus will be allocated towards the purchase of a fighter.

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H.M.S. Ajax Sinks 2 Italian Destroyers

FROM PAGE ONE

Ariagiere, of the latest class of large Italian destroyers.
H.M.S. York soon came on the scene and the crew of the Ariagiere at once began to abandon ship.
Our forces allowed half an hour for abandoning of the ship and then sank her by gunfire.
The York dropped rafts to supplement the boats and a wireless message was broadcast on the commercial wavelength of the Italian stations, giving the positions of the survivors.
This was done in spite of the fact that such a signal compromised the position of the British forces.
Also the weather was fine and Sicily was no great distance away.
The experience at the sinking of the Italian cruiser, Bartolomeo Colleoni, on July 19 when our rescuing destroyers were bombed by Italian aircraft, made it impossible for our ships to take any further measures for the safety of the survivors.
It was known, moreover, that an Italian air concentration and one Italian submarine were in the vicinity.
Only Slight Damage

During these spirited and successful actions, the Ajax had only a few casualties and the only damage suffered by the Ajax was superficial and above the water-line, and has in no way impaired her fighting efficiency.
These are certain facts in which an Italian High Command communiqué, while admitting the loss of two small and one large destroyers, claimed that a British cruiser, probably of the Neptune Class, had been sunk.

Afterwards British warships were attacked by enemy aircraft for four hours. Despite the Italian High Command communiqué claim that one British aircraft carrier and one heavy cruiser were hit, none of the British ships suffered either damage or casualty, while four enemy aircraft were certainly shot down by fighters of the Fleet Air Arm and anti-aircraft fire, besides two others probably destroyed.

All British aircraft returned safely. During the night of October 13, aircraft of the Fleet attacked the port of Leggo in the Dodecanese, achieving a complete surprise. Barracks, workshops, hangars and petrol dumps were hit and set ablaze. All British aircraft returned safely.

Submarines Active
British submarines likewise achieved successes in the Mediterranean. One submarine successfully bombed military objectives in the port of Savona and sank a 5,000-ton armed merchant ship, escorted by E-boats off Genoa and also sank an armed merchant ship of 3,000 tons in the Vado Roads.

Another submarine sank an enemy supply ship of about 3,000 tons off Naples and a third submarine sank an enemy supply ship of about 800 tons off Ben Ghazi.
During the night of October 12-13, aircraft co-operated with warships and successfully bombed enemy troop concentrations at Sidi Barrani.

Italian Claims
ROME, Oct. 15 (UP).—One British battleship and four British destroyers, all seriously damaged, have arrived at Gibraltar, according to the Algerian correspondent of the Messagero.
The vessels came from the Mediterranean and are undergoing repairs, it is stated.

Cruiser Torpedoed
Italian planes have torpedoed a British cruiser in the Eastern Mediterranean, according to to-day's official communiqué.

It is also said that Italian planes bombed and hit a British transport with a medium calibre bomb.
The war communiqué said British planes bombed Benghazi, Bardia, Sallum, the Dodecanese Islands, Saganieli, Senafe, Eluk and Gimmu, while Italian planes raided the British airfield at El Daba and others at Fuksa, Matensamush and Seirabusmet.

The King Visits Free Soldiers of France

London, Aug. 28.
The King this week inspected General de Gaulle's force in a southern area.
French marines and members of the Foreign Legion formed a guard of honour. The Tricolour and the Union Jack flew side by side.
The King talked earnestly to General de Gaulle in French. The King's review is regarded as a notable recognition of the importance of our French allies. Colonel de Laminat, Chief of the General Staff army in the Near East has joined General de Gaulle in London.

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FIERCE BARRAGE FOR NAZIS

FROM PAGE ONE

Wight this afternoon, the Nazi pilot stopped a corn merchant's lorry and told the driver in good English to drive him to the nearest military camp.

The driver promptly obliged.
Night Raid
LONDON, Oct. 15 (Reuter).—The night raid opened more quietly than in recent days but enemy aircraft arrived in small groups roughly every four minutes.
The barrage opened a vigorous fire.

Midlands Raids Toll
LONDON, Oct. 15 (Reuter).—During the three months ending September 30, there were 55 enemy air raids on the Midlands. The total casualties were 170 killed, 180 seriously injured and 380 slightly injured. During the same period, 183 persons were killed in road accidents in the Midlands.

DIRECT HITS ON BERLIN

FROM PAGE ONE

ships which dropped amidst the hospital buildings. This time there were no dead, but several were slightly injured. Houses in the neighbourhood were evacuated because one bomb did not explode.
The R.A.F. directed further attacks against the west section of Berlin, hitting a number of houses in the residential district resulting in a great number of seriously wounded. Under the ruins of the houses it is feared many are dead.

Early Night Raid
The Air Ministry has announced that Royal Air Force bombers were over Berlin early last night when they spent an hour and a quarter seeking out and attacking a number of military objectives both in the suburbs and the heart of the German capital.

Harnessing Niagara For Defence

Ottawa, Oct. 15.
More water in Niagara is to be made available for defence production, according to a statement by Mr. Mackenzie King, Premier, who announced at a Press conference to-day that immediate steps would be taken towards joint international power development with America on the international rapids section of the St. Lawrence River and the diversion of additional water from the Niagara River for power purposes.

As regards Niagara, America would raise no objection, he said, to the Ontario Government using more water for power and would agree to provide for a diversion into the Great Lakes system of waters which normally flow into Hudson Bay.—Reuter.

H.K.C.C. Cricket XI

The following will represent the Hongkong C.C. against Craggenower C.C. in a cricket match on Saturday.
J. R. Mitchell (Capt.), C. W. E. Bishop, N. D. Booker, Capt. A. J. Dewar, Sgt. J. G. Connor, W. G. Finlay, J. R. Fox, T. G. C. Knight, R. M. M. King, A. K. Mackenzie, D. O. Parsons, D. S. Robb.

Softball

Opening Schedule Of The League

AT THE MEETING of the Management Committee of the Hongkong Softball League yesterday, first matches of the season were announced. These are:

Sunday WOMEN

Cardinals v. Wildcats (Kowloon F.C.), 9.15 a.m.
Chung Hwa v. Wahooks (K.F.C.), 10.30 a.m.
Canadian Chinese v. Recreio (Recreio), 10 a.m.

MEN

Recreio v. Canadian Chinese (Kowloon F.C.), 1 p.m.
Hongkong B.C. v. St. Joseph's, 2.15 p.m.
Cyclones v. Filipino Club, 3.30 p.m.
Chinese B.C. v. Indian S.C., 4.45 p.m.

Schedule for the Second Division will be published later.

NEW TEAMS

Two new teams in Texaco and the Hongkong Bank, have joined the League.
Admission to the K.F.C. stands will be 20 cents for adults, and 10 cents for children.

Army Rugby Teams Chosen For Saturday

The following XV's have been chosen to represent the Army in Rugby football matches against the Club at Happy Valley on Saturday:
First fifteen—J. R. Scott; L/B: Richards (R.A.), Capt. Douglas (R. Scots), Lt. Coombes (R.A.M.C.), L/Sgt. Marsh (R.A.); Capt. G. W. Hoos (R.A.) (Captain), Lt. Wedderburn (R.A.); Pte. Berry (Middlesex), Cpl. Sutherland (R. Scots), 2/Lt. Pinter (R. Scots), Lt. Willsby (Middlesex), 2/Lt. Miller (R. Scots), Capt. Duke (R. Scots), 2/Lt. Cuthbertson (R. Scots), and 2/Lt. Heath (R.A.).
Second fifteen—Lt. L. J. Jax (R.A.); Spr. Pictor (R.E.), Sgt. W. J. (Signal), Pte. Giblin (R.A.M.C.), Pte. MacDonald (R.A.M.C.), 2/Lt. Giblin (R.A.M.C.), L/Cpl. Foley (R.E.), 2/Lt. Dompas (H.K.S.R.A.), Capt. Hewitt (Middlesex) (Capt.), 2/Lt. Davidson (R.A.), Cpl. Whitehead (R.A.), Pte. Chandler (R.A.M.C.), Pte. Mohan (R.A.M.C.), Cpl. Bedford (Signal) and Sgt. Page (R.A.).
Reserves—Capt. Drew-Wilkinson (R. Scots), Cpl. Keeble (R.A.), 2/Lt. Eddison (R.A.), Sgt. Sheldrake (R.E.) and Cpl. Clifton (R.A.M.C.).
All players are requested to turn out at Happy Valley to-morrow at 5 p.m. for practice.
Yesterday, a second trial game was held at Sookunpo in preparation for Saturday's games.

Airmen Beat A. A. Gunners

R.A.F. defeated 7th. A.A. 3-2 in an Army Shield football match at Chatham Road yesterday. The score was two-all at half-time.
R.A.F. goals were scored by T. Bartlett (2) and S. Munfield, and the 7th. A.A. goals by S. Willis and C. Thorne.

German Tennis Players In Japan

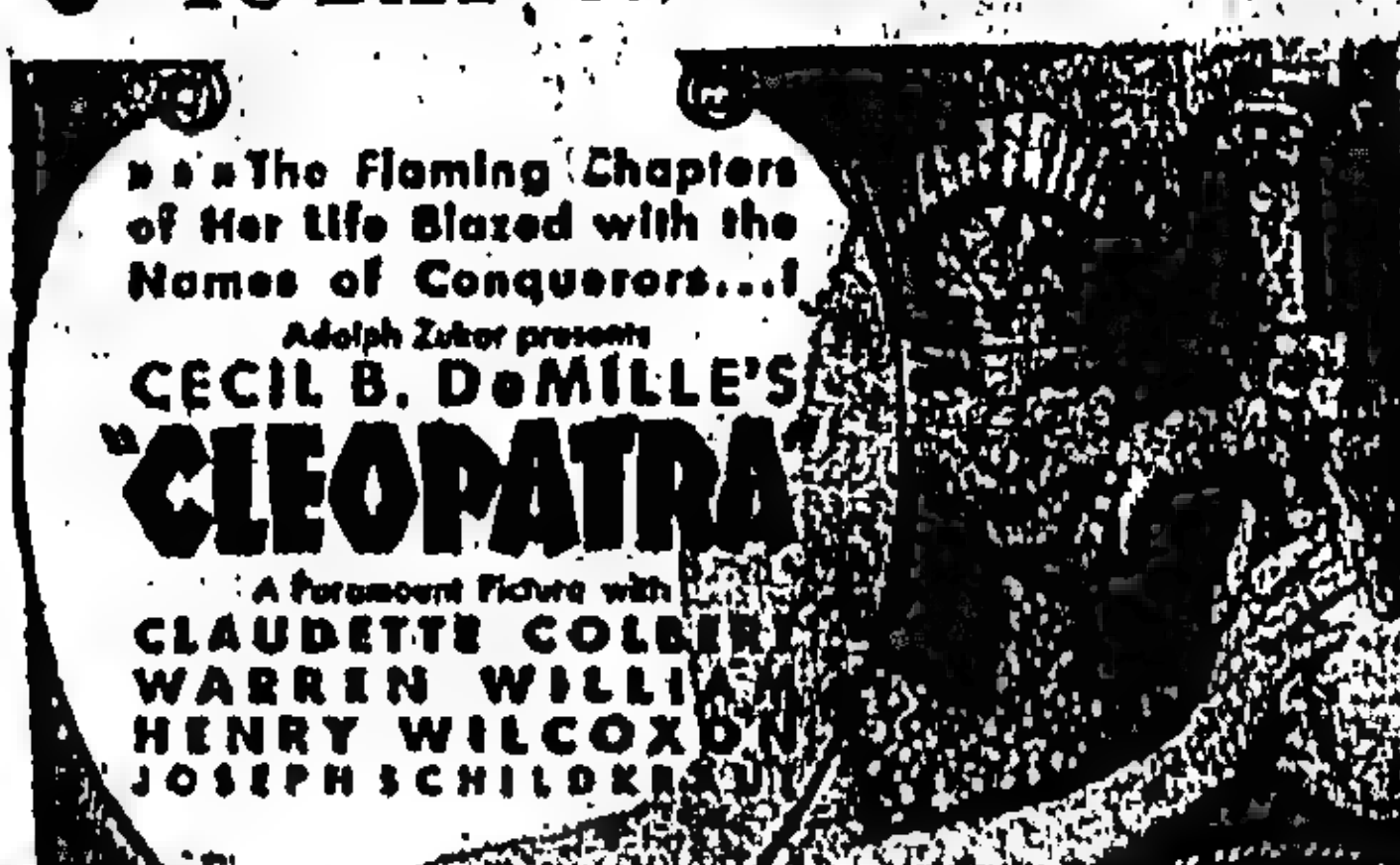
Heinrich Henkel, Nazi tennis ace, who was with the German troops in Paris in June, and Kurt Gies, leading German tennis player, arrived in Tokyo to-day from Berlin for a series of exhibition matches against Japanese players.—Domei.

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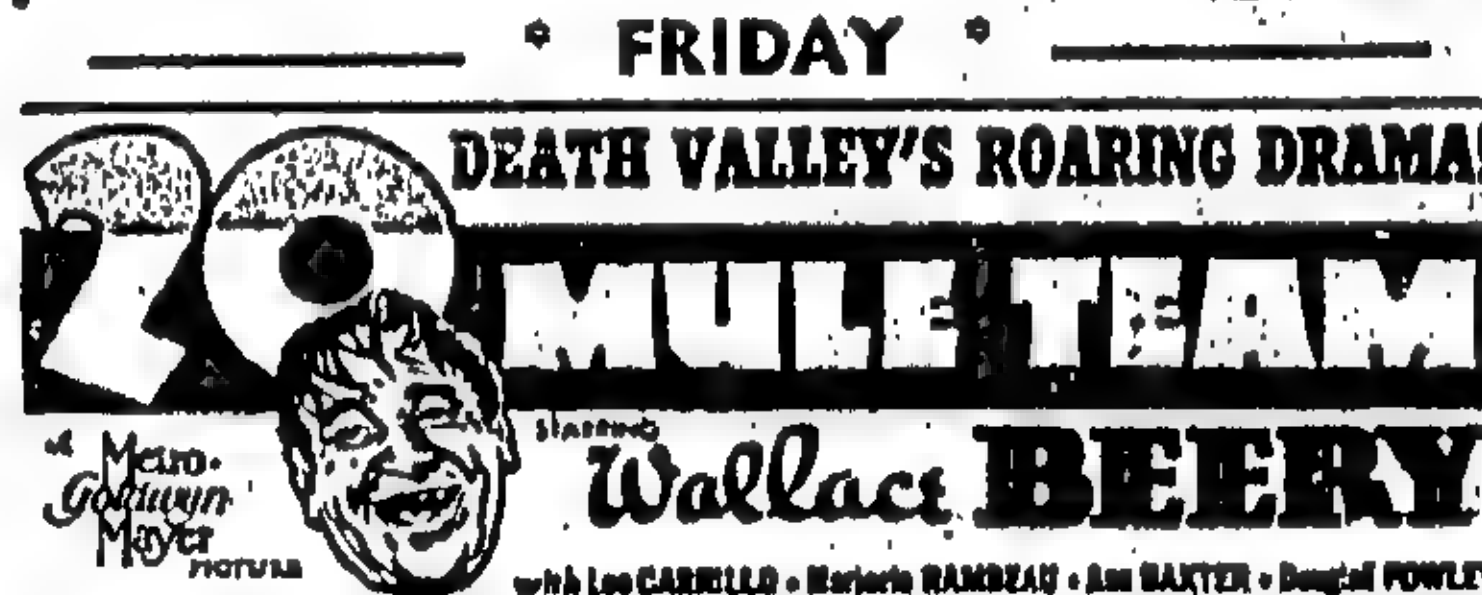


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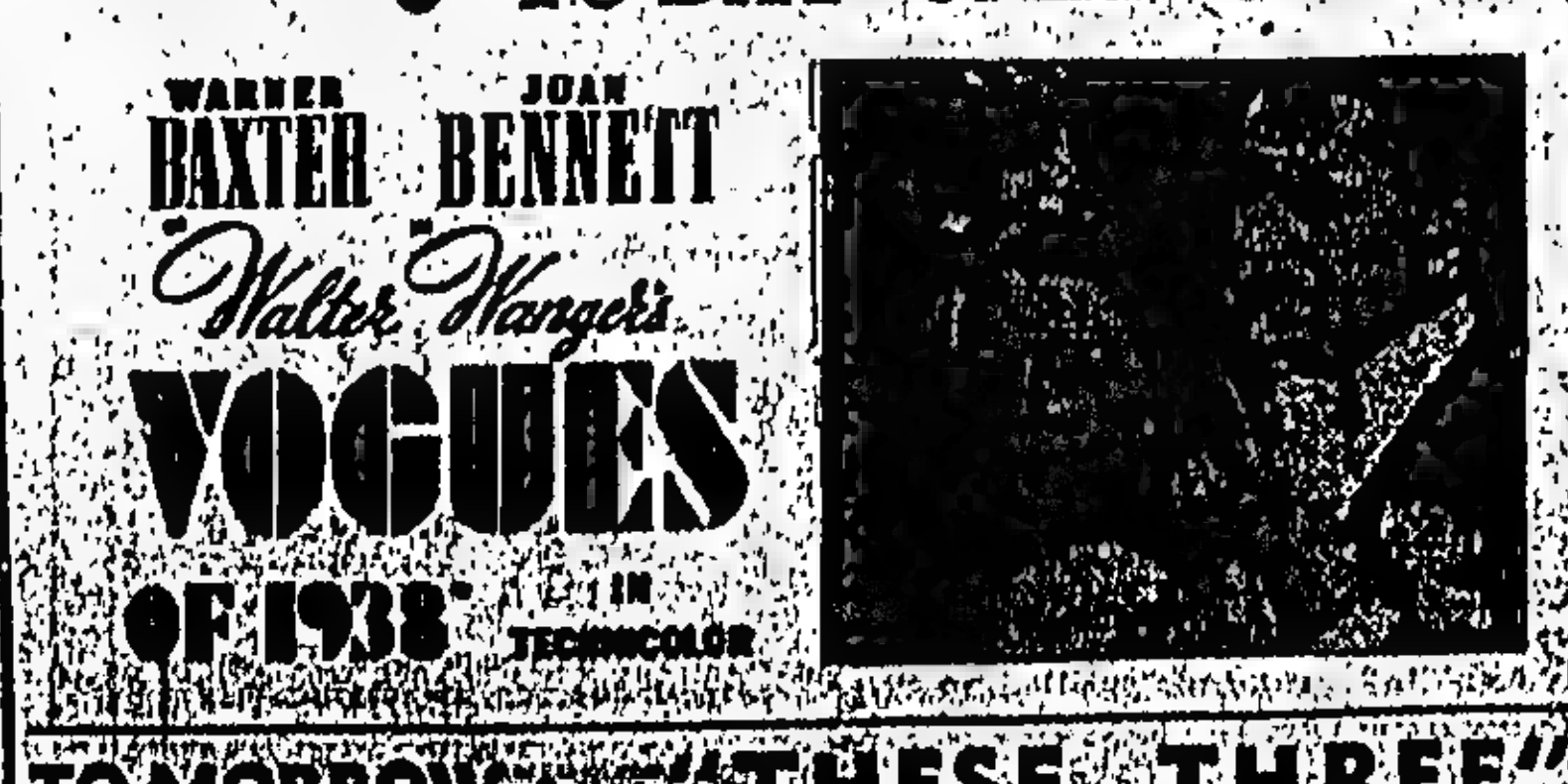
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H.M.S. AJAX SCORES NEW TRIUMPH: SINKS TWO ITALIAN DESTROYERS

Enemy Naval Forces Put To Flight In Mediterranean Engagement

LONDON, OCT. 15, (REUTER).—THE BRITISH LIGHT CRUISER AJAX, OF 7,000 TONS, WITH EIGHT 6-INCH GUNS, SANK TWO ITALIAN DESTROYERS, CRIPPLED A THIRD DESTROYER, AND PUT THE REMAINDER OF THE ITALIAN FORCES, INCLUDING A HEAVY CRUISER, TO FLIGHT.

\$1,000,000 FOR COLONY A.R.P.

Big Scheme Under Way

The Finance Committee of the Legislative Council will consider at their meeting to-morrow a vote of \$1,000,000 for the purpose of constructing tunnels, trenches, etc., for the protection of the civil population against air attack.

It can now be revealed that Government has formulated a definite policy regarding A.R.P. in Hongkong. It envisages continuous preparation of tunnels, trenches and dispersion areas for the next twelve to 18 months, at the end of which time there will be adequate protection against air raids for at least 1,000,000 inhabitants.

The provision of concrete block tunnels and trenches to accommodate inhabitants in the more congested areas of the Colony is proceeding apace.

Effective Protection

Where terrain is unsuitable for tunnels, particular attention is to be paid to the construction of A.R.P. trenches, which, while not offering complete protection from a direct hit, have proved extremely effective in the protection of human life during the raids on Britain.

In some cases tunnels are being bored through the city's rock, and the prospects are that within twelve months Hongkong will be in a position to offer effective A.R.P. to a very large percentage of the population.

Anderson Shelters also figure in the scheme and these are being rapidly erected in many parts of Hongkong.

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Japanese Indo-China Withdrawal Delay

HANOI, Oct. 16 (UP).—Japanese official sources told the "United Press" today that they are unable to give the date of the Japanese withdrawal from Langson because the alleged Chinese pressure against northern Indo-China might make it necessary to cancel the evacuation temporarily.

War Costs H.K. Police An Additional \$57,500

The Sino-Japanese conflict is to cost the Hongkong Police Force an additional \$57,500.

This appropriation will come before the Finance Committee of the Legislative Council to-morrow.

It is explained that a token vote of \$100,000 was provided in the Estimates to meet expenditure from the Sino-Japanese conflict. Early in the year it became apparent that this amount was insufficient to meet the expenditure in connection with the pay of Police Reservists who had been called out for duty here, and light and heavy armaments.

The Ajax was one of two light cruisers which, with the heavy cruiser Exeter, drove the German battle ship Graf Spee into Montevideo.

Describing the battle, which occurred last Saturday off Sicily, the Admiralty states that during operations in the eastern and central Mediterranean, H.M.S. Ajax made contact with three Italian destroyers of the 679-ton Albatross Class about 80 miles south-east of Sicily on October 12.

The Ajax immediately engaged and two of the Italian destroyers sank outright, states the Admiralty communiqué, quoting a report from the Commander-in-Chief of the Mediterranean.

Second Engagement

Shortly after this encounter, the Ajax sighted an enemy force composed of one heavy cruiser and four destroyers. The Ajax again engaged and succeeded in crippling one of the enemy destroyers. The remainder of the force escaped in the darkness.

OVERHAUL FOR THE AJAX

LONDON, Oct. 15 (Reuter).—It was announced a few months ago that the Ajax returned to service with a new complement of officers and men and that in addition to remedying the scars she received in the battle in the South Atlantic against the Graf Spee, naval constructors had remedied such minor defects of construction as were revealed in the action to the advantage of her fighting efficiency.

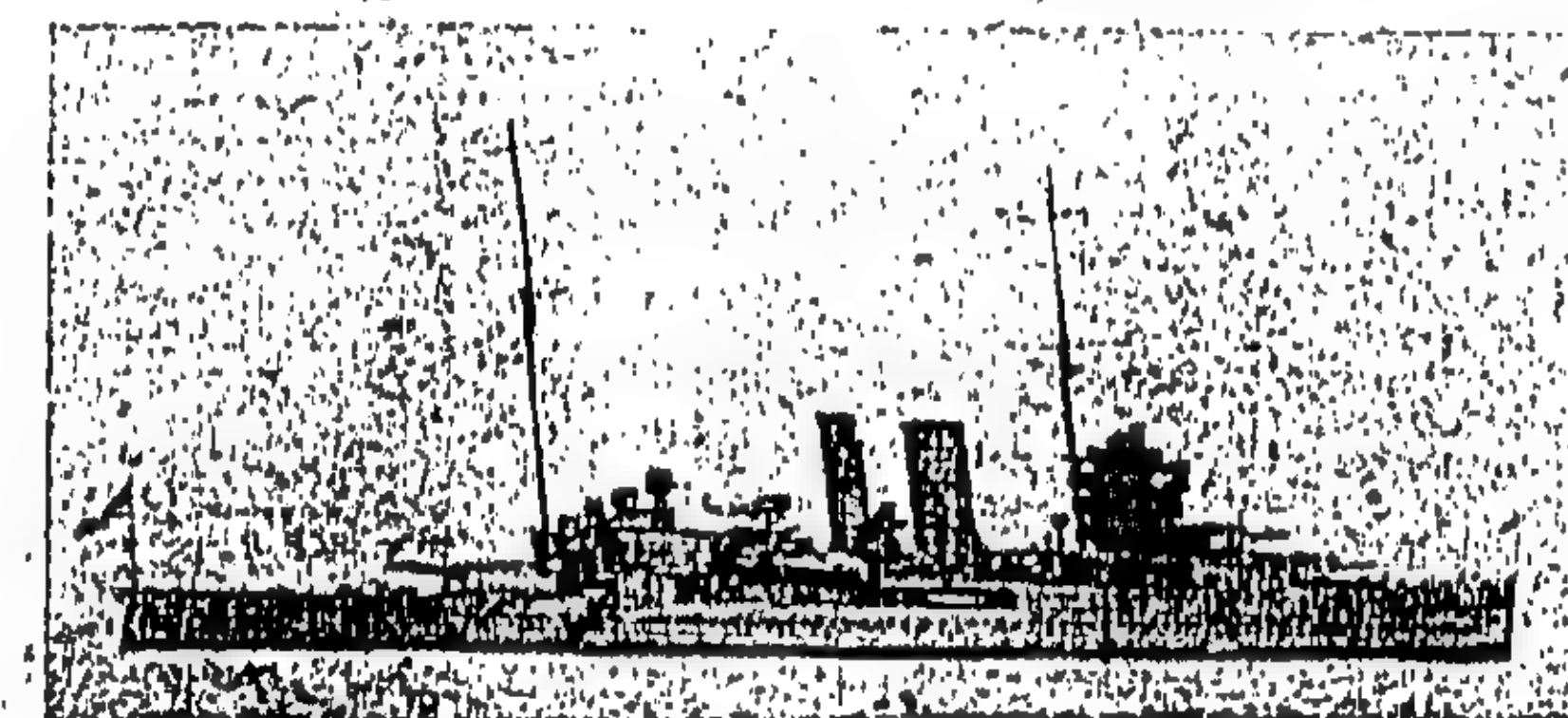
Few of her former officers were with her on her return to service, but about half of the men of the lower deck who participated in the battle remained to amass more laurels in the Mediterranean.

Third Ship Sunk

It was then ascertained that the damaged destroyer was the 1,620-ton Ariadne, of the latest class of large Italian destroyers.

H.M.S. York soon came on the scene and the crew of the Ariadne at once began to abandon ship.

Our forces allowed half an hour TURN to Page 2, Column Three



Bulgaria And Greece Next On Nazi List?

Turkish Theory

Special to the "Telegraph"

ISTANBUL, Oct. 15 (UP).—Having overcome their first surprise at finding Nazi forces camped along the Black Sea coast, Turks are now speculating as to who is next on the Nazi list.

GERMAN OFFER TO RUSSIA

Freezing Out Turkey

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

NEW YORK, Oct. 15 (Domel).—Germany is offering Russia a special sphere of influence around the Dardanelles designed to freeze out Turkey, according to an "Associated Press" dispatch from London.

The report says that the Axis major move in the Balkans will be directed against Egypt and the oil fields in the Near East, and possibly even against India; therefore the Axis wants to immobilize the Soviet war machine first.

Soviet Aid For Turkey?

SOEFA, Oct. 15 (Domel).—Pro-Soviet Bulgarians claimed that they learned that Moscow and Ankara were negotiating a military assistance pact in which Moscow is willing to support Turkey militarily in Italy and Germany develop a plan to seize the Dardanelles.

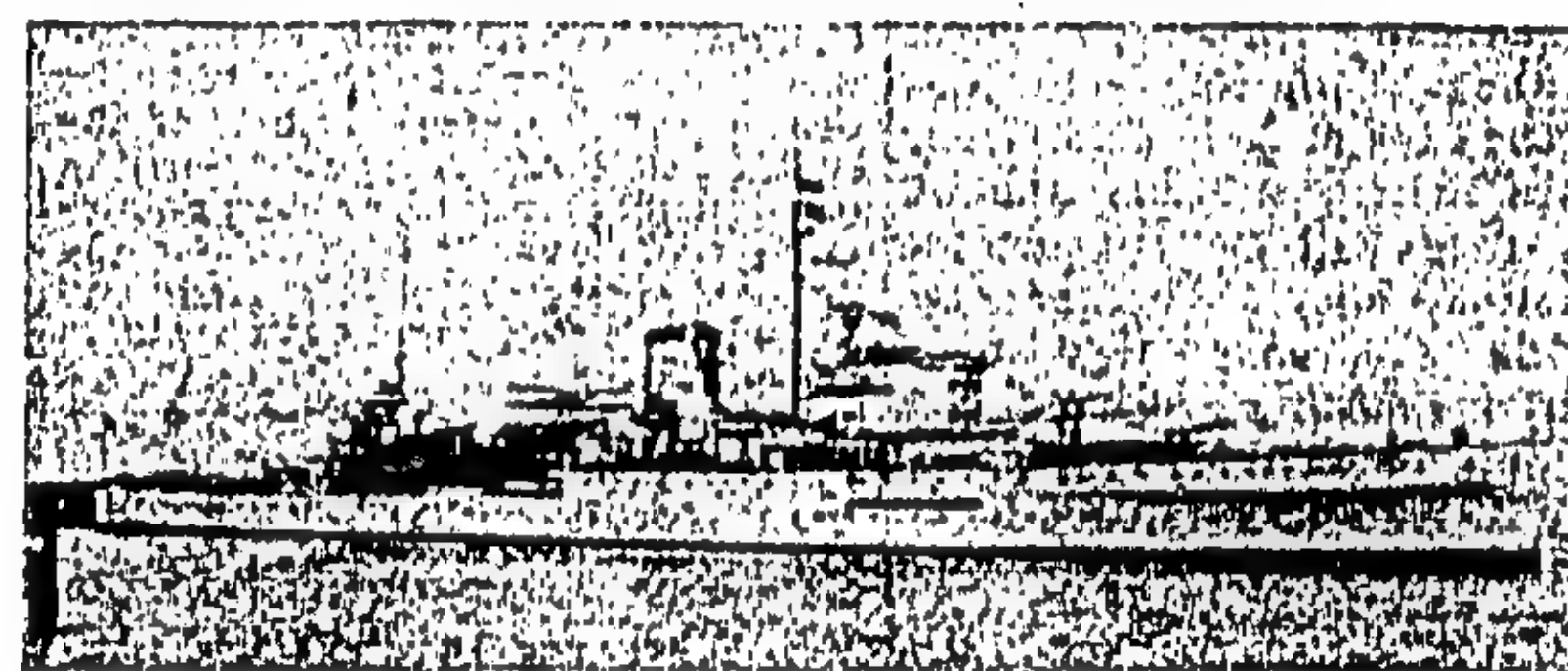
Nazi Tanks In Rumania

NEW YORK, Oct. 15 (Domel).—Three hundred Nazi tanks and several squadrons of Nazi fighters and bombers arrived at Galati, opposite the Russian frontier, according to "Associated Press" reports from Bucharest. Meanwhile, Rumanian Government quarters denied a dispatch asserting that Soviet troops have entered Rumania at Chilia, in the Danube delta, pointing out that the swampy south of Chilia made such penetrations impossible.

LONDON, Oct. 15 (British Wire).—According to a White Paper issued today, giving supplementary estimates for the Army, Navy and Air services, and military supplies, Parliament will be asked to vote a further £21,000,000,000.

THE AJAX BAGS MORE VICTIMS

H.M.S. Ajax has added new laurels to her glorious achievements in the present war. Her latest is to sink two Italian destroyers and cripple a third. Below is the Ajax, and bottom picture shows H.M.S. York which also took part in the latest Mediterranean battle.



FIERCE BARRAGE FOR NAZIS

London Raids

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Oct. (UP).—German raiders swept in with the darkness from an easterly direction to-night to renew last night's heavy attack.

They drew an anti-aircraft barrage such as even London has seldom experienced hitherto. The boom of guns was almost continuous in the early part of the raid and searchlights probed for the raiders among the stars. Apparently taking advantage of the moonlight the Germans sent over both single engine and two-engine bombers.

Heavy explosions shook the capital shortly after the first raider appeared.

Slight Raids

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Oct. 15 (UP).—The Air Ministry and Ministry of Home Security in a joint communique today declared that nine German planes and 10 British planes were brought down up to 5.30 p.m.

It was stated that a number of bombs were dropped in the south and east areas of London but the damage does not appear to be heavy. There were a few casualties and some deaths.

"Elsewhere, a few bombs were dropped but there was no serious damage."

The communique said that the Germans were mostly fighter planes throughout the day.

Formations Broken Up

LONDON, Oct. 15 (Reuter).—Six enemy raiders are reported to have been destroyed in the attacks attempted to-day over the Kent coast, the Thames Estuary and various places in the Home Counties.

Strong A.A. barrages and R.A.F. fighters caused the formations to break up and retreat back to the coast.

A few machines got through to London. Some damage is reported, mostly to houses, although casualties are reported from bombs dropped on a large confectionery factory.

Isle of Wight Capture

When a yellow-nosed Messerschmitt 109 was shot down in the Isle of Wight this afternoon, the Nazi pilot dropped a corn merchant's lorry and told the driver in good English to TURN to Page 2, Column Five

Soviet- Japan Pact Is Hinted

German Scheme

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Oct. 15 (UP).—Diplomatic circles here believe that there is a strong possibility of a Soviet-Japanese non-aggression pact.

It is understood that Germany has been pressing the Soviets to make an agreement with the Japanese.

They expect that the new Japanese Ambassador, Lieut. General Tatekawa, will push the negotiations as soon as he arrives in Moscow, to enable Japan to turn her attention southward.

Merely A Truce

Diplomatic circles also feel that if the pact is signed, it will merely be a sort of truce and that the Soviets will continue aiding China.

They strongly doubt the reports that the Soviets are trying to form a Balkan bloc with Turkey, Greece and Yugoslavia, but believe that the Soviets will make it clear to Turkey that they will not hamper Turkey if she defends herself against the Axis Powers.

Soviet Worries

LONDON, Oct. 15 (Reuter).—Russia's whole diplomacy during the past year has been marked by obvious anxiety to avoid a conflict with Germany, says the "Daily Telegraph."

Russia has tolerated a good deal of German high-handedness rather than engage in war but Germany on the Straits of Bosphorus would be a challenge to her interests and security which must surely compel the Soviet to think again.

Russia indeed may be seriously wrong in thinking that the pact with Japan was not directed against her as much as against America. Russia will be compelled to show her hand soon and that naturally is receding the keen attention of Turkey.

LATEST

See Back Page For
Further Late News

Volunteer Camp Facilities

The Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps will have a bigger and better camp at Fanling this autumn if the Finance Committee to-morrow approves a vote for \$15,000.

It is stated that owing to the increased strength of the Corps it is necessary to enlarge the site and to improve the kitchen, latrine and bath-house accommodation.

The requirements are urgent and it is suggested that they be met before the camping season begins in December.

No provision was made for the extension to the camp in current estimates.

New Rifle Range

A miniature rifle range is being constructed on the Albany site off Garden Road for the purpose of training members of the Corps and others receiving instruction in marksmanship.

Sanction of the cost of \$2,750 is being sought at the meeting of the Finance Committee.

Increase In Sale Of Government Opium

The sale of Government opium is on the increase.

This is revealed in the votes to be placed before the Finance Committee to-morrow, which includes a provision of \$125,000 for the preparation and carriage of opium.

It is explained that the new vote is required because of the recent increase in the sale of Government opium. It has been found necessary to obtain more than was anticipated.

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12.30 Musical Comedy Selections from "The Town Talks", "The Lion Domino", "Rio Rita", "Tond of Tond Hall."

1.0 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 Rosini-La Boutique Fantastique.

1.30 Reuter & Rugby Press. Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 Dance Music.

2.15 Close down.

6.0 Borodin—Quartet No. 2 in D Major.

6.30 Closing local Stock Quotations.

6.52 Dance Music & Variety.

7.0 London Relay—The News.

7.15 London Relay—Topical Talks.

7.30 Excerpts from Gilbert & Sullivan.

8.0 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 Eric Coates—Cinderella—A Fantasy.

8.37 Cesar Franck—Symphonie Variations.

Alfred Cortot (Piano) and The London Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Sir Landon Ronald.

8.52 A Light Orchestra Programme with Milka Korjus (Soprano) and Webster Booth (Tenor).

9.0 London Relay—The News and News Commentaries.

9.30 London Relay—"To Talk of Many Things."

9.45—Musical Branch—Concerto No. 1 in B Minor, Op. 24.

Yehudi Menuhin (Violin) and the London Symphony Orchestra cond. by Sir Landon Ronald.

10.18 A Brahms Song.

Ye That Now Are Sorrowful (from Requiem), Hildegard Erdmann (Soprano) with Chorus and Orchestra.

10.20 Dvorak—Symphony No. 5 in E Minor, Op. 95 ("The New World").

11.0 Close down.

VAUDEVILLE AT THE Y.M.C.A.

A Vaudeville entertainment has been organised by the Services Section of the Y.M.C.A. to take place in the West Lounge Theatre at the "Y" headquarters, Kowloon, on Thursday, October 17, at 8.30 p.m.

The programme promises to be a good one, the following being the Artists who are taking part.

Irene Artuch, Norman Binning, Freddy Cremo, Jack Fountain, John Gilchrist, Gertrude Goddard, "Red" Gibson, Alex. Grant, Harold Harrison, and Robert Richmond, Stanley Hinchliff, William Knight, David Kossick, Vic Labrum, "Mysto", the Memory Man, Ernie Perry, Elvie Yuen, and Norah Wittich.

Stage arrangements are in the hands of "Don" Grant.

All Service-men are welcome. A small charge of 20 cents being made for admission; tickets are now available at Y.M.C.A. counters.

STOCK MARKET REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange Official Summary issued yesterday says: The market continues steady, with small business passing.

Buyers.

Union Ins. \$380

Providents \$4.40

Islands \$3.50

Landis \$30.25

Realities \$32.25

Electric (old) \$38.10

Electric (new) \$38.75

Telephones (old) \$22.50

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

G. R. WAR TAXATION

The Public is notified that the offices of the War Taxation Department will be closed for business from Saturday, October 19th to Monday, October 21st both days inclusive.

Business with the Public will be resumed on Tuesday, October 22nd at

WINDSOR HOUSE.

(4th floor),
No. 12, Des Voeux Road Central.
Tax falling due on October 19th and 21st will not be regarded as overdue if paid on October 22nd.

A. G. CLARKE,

Commissioner of War Taxation,
16th October, 1940.

G. R. H. M. DOCKYARD HONG KONG.

VACANCIES FOR STOREHOUSEMEN.

Four vacancies exist for storehousemen in H.M. Dockyard, Hong Kong. Only applicants between the ages of 25 and 30 years, who are British subjects and of Indian race will be considered. Applications should be made by letter in the candidates' own handwriting stating qualifications, and should reach the Naval Store Officer, H. M. Dockyard, not later than A.M. 21st October.

NOTICE

COLONIAL TREASURY

Consequent upon the removal of the offices of the COLONIAL TREASURY to the Third Floor, Windsor House, Des Voeux Road Central, the following revised telephone numbers are notified for the information of the public:

Accountant-General (Mr. E. W. Pudney) 31609
Accountant (Mr. A. J. C. Taylor) 31832
Cashier (Mr. L. A. Barton) 31951
Sub-Accountant, Expenditure (Mr. H. S. Martin) 31658
Examination Office 31814
Correspondence, Receiving and Despatching Clerks 31495
Book-keeping Office 31758
The Revenue Branch and Public Enquiries line continues to be No. 31991.

ERIC W. PUDNEY,

Accountant General.

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that no person is authorised to solicit or collect donations for the War Fund organised by this Company.

All donations, with the exception of those sent through The Hongkong War Effort Committee, or other properly constituted bodies, should be forwarded, and cheques made out to "War Fund—South China Morning Post, Ltd."

R. WYLIE,

General Manager.

FOR THE PROTECTION OF CHILDREN

What to do to help a child

Anyone knowing of a child who has been assaulted, neglected, or ill-treated in a manner likely to cause unnecessary suffering or injury to health, or knowing of a parent who is seeking advice on any matter concerning a child, would be doing an act of kindness by communicating at once with—

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The Inspector, 82 Stone Nullah Lane, 2nd Floor.

The Inspector, 12, Sai Yeung Choi St., Kowloon.

The Inspector, 52, Argyle St., Kowloon.

All further steps will be taken, and expenses borne, by the Society.

The Informant's name will be kept strictly private, except in cases where malice is proved.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

CONSIDERABLE ADDITIONS TO THE WAR FUND

A total of \$130,000 was received yesterday by the War Fund, inaugurated by the S. C. M. Post Ltd. the latest donations being:

Mr. "Family" (further donation) \$700

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H.M.S. Ajax Sinks 2 Italian Destroyers

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for abandoning of the ship and then sank her by gunfire.

The York dropped rafts to supplement the boats and a wireless message was broadcast on the commercial wavelength of the Italian stations, giving the positions of the survivors.

This was done in spite of the fact that such a signal compromised the position of the British forces.

Also the weather was fine and Sicily was no great distance away.

The experience at the sinking of the Italian cruiser, the *Colombo* on July 19 when our rescuing destroyers were bombed by Italian aircraft, made it impossible for our ships to take any further measures for the safety of the survivors.

It was known, moreover, that an Italian air concentration was in the vicinity.

Only Slight Damage

During these spirited and successful actions, the *Ajax* had only a few casualties and the *Ajax* was damaged suffered by the *Ajax* was superficial and above the water-line and has in no way impaired her fighting efficiency.

These are actions in which an Italian High Command communique, while admitting the loss of two small and one large destroyers, claimed that a British cruiser, probably of the *Neptune* class, had been sunk.

Afterwards Italian warships were attacked by enemy aircraft for four hours. Despite the Italian High Command communique claim that one British aircraft carrier and one heavy cruiser were hit, none of the British ships suffered either damage or casualty, while four enemy aircraft were certainly shot down by fighters of the Fleet Air Arm and anti-aircraft fire, besides two others probably destroyed.

All British aircraft returned safely. During the night of October 13, aircraft of the Fleet attacked the port of Lango in the Dolomites, achieving a complete surprise. Barracks, workshops, hangars and petrol dumps were hit and set ablaze. All British aircraft returned safely.

Submarine Active

British submarines likewise achieved successes in the Mediterranean. One submarine successfully bombed military objectives in the port of Savona and sank a 5,000-ton armed merchant ship, escorted by E-boats off Genoa and also an armed merchant ship of 3,000 tons in the Vado Roads.

Another submarine sank an enemy supply ship of about 3,000 tons off Naples and a third submarine sank an enemy supply ship of about 800 tons off Ben Ghazi.

During the night of October 12-13, aircraft co-operated with warships and successfully bombed enemy troop concentrations at Sidi Barrani.

Italian Claims

ROME, Oct. 15 (UP).—One British battleship and four British destroyers, all seriously damaged, have arrived at Gibraltar, according to the *Algemeen* correspondent of the *Messenger*.

The vessels came from the Mediterranean and are undergoing repairs, it is stated.

Cruiser Torpedoed

Italian planes have torpedoed a British cruiser in the Eastern Mediterranean, according to today's official communique.

It is also said that Italian planes bombed and hit a British transport with a medium calibre bomb.

The war communique said British planes bombed Benghazi, Bardia, Sallum, the Dodecanese Islands, Saggiotti, Senoia, Eluak and Gimma, while Italian planes eluded the British airfield at El Daba and others at Fuka Mantassamush and Sefraabush.

Ambulance Gift From Hongkong

An ambulance donated by subscribers in Hongkong will shortly be in commission in England.

Recent subscriptions received by the British War Organisation Fund, Hongkong Branch, for the special object of supplying ambulances for use in England, now amount to \$5,127.

An offer has been received for the supply of one ambulance from the makers' works in England for \$280, which is a most gratifying advance, it was decided to close with the offer and to make up the balance from the funds of the B.W.O.F. here.

It is hoped that further subscriptions will be forthcoming to cover this balance, and for further similar purchases.

The ambulance donated will bear the lettering "Hongkong 1".

V.C. Recipient Now Found Alive

Somaliand Epic

LONDON, Oct. 15 (Reuter).—The War Office has notified the parents of Lieutenant (Acting Captain) E. C. T. Wilson, of the East Surrey Regiment, who was "posthumously" awarded the Victoria Cross for service in Somaliand, that he is alive.

Acting Captain Wilson was earlier reported killed in the fighting during the withdrawal from British Somaliand. It was stated that on August 11 his post was surrounded by Italian forces and that he and his comrades refused to surrender, but "holding to the last" he was the 12th V.C. of the present war.

SLAN, Oct. 16 (Central News).—Over 2,700 ounces of confiscated opium and 4,000 opium-smoking paraphernalia, together worth about \$1,000,000, were publicly burned at the Police Headquarters here yesterday.

Exchange At A Glance

SELLING

T.T. London 1/2 1/2
Demand London 1/2 1/2
T.T. Shanghai 5/2 1/2
T.T. Singapore 5/2 1/2
T.T. India 8 1/2
T.T. U.S.A. 23 1/2
T.T. Manila 45 1/2
T.T. Batavia 45 1/2
T.T. Bangkok 98 1/2
T.T. Saigon 98 1/2
T.T. Switzerland 98 1/2
T.T. Australia 1/6 1/2

BUYING

4 m/s L/C London 1/3 1/2
4 m/s D/P London 1/3 1/2
4 m/s L/C U.S.A. 23 1/2
4 m/s France 23 1/2
30 d/s India 8 1/2
U.S. Cross rate in London 4.02 1/2
U.S. Cross rate in N.Y. 4.03 1/2

H.K. Stock Market

The following quotations were issued on the Hongkong Stock Market this morning.

BANKS

H.K. Banks \$ 1,225 n.
H.K. Banks £ 58 1/2 n.
H.K. Banks (H.K.) £ 70 n.
Chartered Bank £ 7 n.
Mercantile, A. & B. £ 26 1/2 n.
Mercantile, C. £ 10 n.
East Asia £ 72 n.

INSURANCES

Canton \$ 185 n.
Union \$ 380 n.
China Underwriters \$ 150 n.
H.K. Fire \$ 150 n.

SHIPPING

Douglases \$ 120 n.
Steamboats \$ 11 n.
Indo-China P. \$ 100 n.
Indo-China D. \$ 30 1/2 n.
Shell (Barrers) \$ 6.00 n.
Waterbury \$ 6.00 n.

DOCKS ETC.

Wharves \$ 80 1/2 n.
Docks (old) \$ 10 1/2 n.
Docks (new) \$ 10 n.
Providents \$ 20 1/2 n.

MINING

Kalian s/s \$ 14 1/2 n.
Rauba s/s \$ 9 1/2 n.
H.K. Mines \$ 1 1/2 cts n.

LANDS

Hotels \$ 3.30 n.
Lands \$ 30 1/2 n.
Lands \$ 100 n.
Sham Lands Sh. \$ 10 n.
Humphreys \$ 7.10 n.
H.K. Realities \$ 3.30 n.
Chinese Estates \$ 103 n.

UTILITIES

Trams (old) \$ 15 1/2 n.
Peak Trams (new) \$ 3.70 n.
Star Ferries (old) \$ 0.65 n.
China Lights (new) \$ 0.95 n.
H.K. Electric (old) \$ 36 1/2 n.
H.K. Electric (new) \$ 36 n.
Macao Electric (old) \$ 17 n.
Macao Electric (new) \$ 10 n.
Sandakan Lights \$ 11 n.
Telephones (old) \$ 23 1/2 n.
Telephones (new) \$ 9 1/2 n.

INDUSTRIALS

Cald: Macg. (Ord.) \$ 14.80 n.
Cald: Macg. (Pref.) \$ 12 n.
Cald: Macg. (S. S.) \$ 1 n.
Cementa \$ 15 1/2 n.
H.K. Ropes \$ 8 n.

STORES, &c.

Dairy Farms \$ 17.40 n.
Watsons \$ 8.60 n.
Lane & Francis \$ 7.45 n.
Canton \$ 2.15 n.
Wing On (H.K.) \$ 39 n.
Powell Ltd. \$ 1 n.

COTTON MILLS

Ewo Sh. \$ 35 n.
S'nal Cotton Sh. \$ 181 n.

MISC.

H.K. Govt. 4% 99 n.
H.K. Govt. 3 1/2% (1934) 99 1/2 n.
H.K. Govt. 3 1/2% (1940) 99 1/2 n.
Ch. Govt. 5% 1925 \$ 85 1/2 n.
H.K. Entertainments \$ 6.80 n.
Constructions (old) \$ 1.60 n.
Vibro Piling (S.) \$ 7.8 n.
Marsmans Inv. (Lon.) \$ 7.6 n.
Marsmans Inv. (H.K.) \$ 2.6 n.

Mercantile Losses Decline To Half

London, Oct. 15.

Mercantile losses from enemy action in the week ended at midnight on October 5 showed a further decline from the higher figures reached a fortnight previously and were in fact, little more than half the average weekly loss of \$7,000 tons during the previous six weeks.

The losses for the week were seven British vessels totalling 24,943 tons gross, two allied vessels of 2,464 tons gross, and one neutral vessel of 3,607 tons gross, making in all 10 vessels totalling 31,014 tons.

The German claims for this particular week was \$1,810 tons—nearly three times the actual tonnage sunk.—British Wireless.

Kowloon Hospital New X-Ray Machine Room

Kowloon Hospital's new X-ray equipment will not be installed in the old quarters but the massage parlour is to be converted to house the new machine.

There are several fittings and alterations involved, and the Public Works Department is seeking a vote of \$3,800 at the Finance Committee meeting tomorrow to defray the cost of the work.

LONDON, Oct. 15 (Reuter).—The German radio announces that Baron von Schulenberg, the German Ambassador to Moscow, has returned there after several weeks in Berlin.

FIERCE BARRAGE FOR NAZIS

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drive him to the nearest military centre.

The driver promptly obliged.

Night Raid

LONDON, Oct. 15 (Reuter).—The night raid opened more quietly than in recent days but enemy aircraft arrived in small groups roughly every four minutes.

The barrage opened a vigorous fire.

Midlands Raids Tell

LONDON, Oct. 15 (Reuter).—During the three months ending September 30, there were 55 enemy air raids on the Midlands. The total casualties were 170 killed, 180 seriously injured and 380 slightly injured.

During the same period, 183 persons were killed in road accidents in the Midlands.

Lightning And Lull

LONDON, Oct. 15 (UP).—Tonight's air raid was carried out with lightning fury for the first couple of hours, then lulled for an hour and finally subsided into a lull with occasional guns and bombs exploding in the London area.

The raid was not so intensive as last night's raid but reports show that up to 11 p.m. 23 districts in London had been hit as well as 25 districts in the provinces including the Midlands and a town on the south-west coast.

At the height of the attack the raiders came over at the rate of one a minute, apparently from different directions but the majority from the south-east.

Hotel Struck

Heavy bombers and fighting aircraft came over and encountered an immense A.A. barrage. There were some casualties when a bomb struck a Public House.

For a short while after the raid was under way, clouds swept across London after which the lull occurred although sporadic gun flashes could still be seen in the distance. A fire started by incendiary bombs was put out during the height of the first hour's attack.

The "United Press" correspondent Dan Campbell, described his dash from home to the office as "the worst five blocks I ever went through."

Planes Destroyed

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" LONDON, Oct. (UP).—The Air Ministry has announced that 18 enemy planes were destroyed yesterday.

A total of 15 British fighting planes were lost but nine pilots are safe. One of the 18 German planes was destroyed after nightfall.

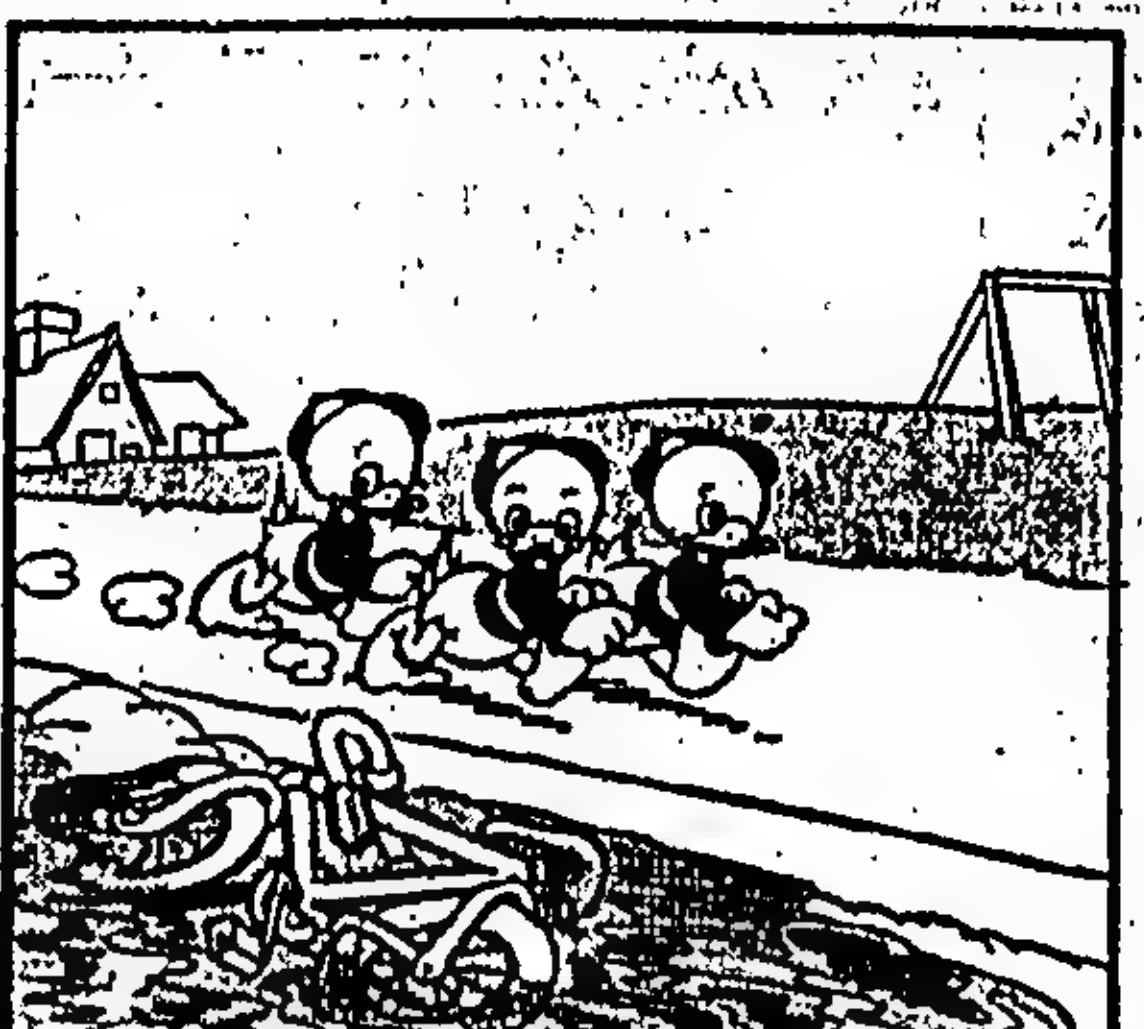
Protest Possible

LONDON, Oct. 15 (Reuter).—In connection with reports that British prisoners of war had been at work clearing up debris around Calais, Sir Edward Grigg, Joint Parliamentary Secretary of State for War, said today that this is contrary to the Geneva Convention.

If the reports are confirmed, a strong protest will be lodged with the German Government.

Sir Edward said that we are not using prisoners of war to fill bomb craters, etc., because even if the enemy breaks the Convention we should not. He also said that British prisoners of war are being rationed like the German troops

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MAGAZINE PAGE

"We Are Not Alone"
 FROM THE NOVEL BY JAMES HILTON

I WAS in Calderbury a few weeks ago and as I passed the corner of Shawgate I noticed that workmen were pulling down the old house. One of the inside walls was exposed to view, and on it hung what seemed, at a distance, to be a picture that no one had bothered about. Even while I watched, it was taken down by a workman, and later I saw it handed over to someone in the little crowd which, in days of unemployment, and especially in a place like Calderbury, always collects around any scene of activity.

He was a young man of perhaps thirty, slim and not at all robust-looking, attractive in an eager, ascetic way, and rather shy in manner as he took the picture, wrapped it in a newspaper that he carried, and tried to slip away unobserved. But the crowd turned their slow curious eyes on him and someone called out: "Let's have a look, mister." At that he almost bolted, crossing the road at a tangent, and colliding with me on the opposite curb. The picture fell with a tinkle, and I made some apologetic remark, though it was really his own fault. He answered: "Oh, it doesn't matter—the glass was smashed already."

With a tidy gesture which I liked in him he began to kick the glass fragments into the gutter, away from danger to passing

brought me into the world I didn't mean in the ordinary sense. You see, I'm his son." I told him then my name, adding: "I think we met—years ago. At children's parties."

"Do you mean that you no longer believe he was guilty?" He shot the question at me so abruptly that its awkwardness came as a challenge. "The evidence I gave was true enough, as far as it went. 'Yes, of course, I never doubted it. You saw my mother going into the house at a certain time, and you saw the other two leaving the house at a certain time. Ample opportunity. And a surgery full of poison. Logic. What more could you ask? He wasn't guilty. She wasn't either.'"

"I must admit if I had known what use was going to be made of my evidence I'd have kept it to myself. I always liked the little doctor."



The picture Gerald found in the ruined house.

traffic. I joined him in this usefulness, and while we were both busy, I said: "I don't know what sort of treasure you're got, but I suppose you know who used to live in that house they're pulling down."

"Oh, yes," he answered. "The little doctor. Did you know him?"

"Fairly well, I liked him. He cured me of asthma."

He laughed. "Well, that's certainly a good reason for liking him. I wonder if mine is as good. He brought me into the world."

"You mean the—Calderbury case?"

"Is that what you call it? I didn't realise it was quite so famous. I've been abroad a long time."

"But you're a native of Calderbury?"

"I left when I was nine. America—journalism—various things. Didn't tell you the little doctor

"Simple enough. I'd been quartered with an aunt and uncle who lived at the other end of town. I was lonely and miserable with them. Just a prisoner in an enormous shabby vicarage. That evening war was declared—every one was so excited that I had my first chance to escape. I went to the surgery. It was always fun there, but that afternoon more than usual, because—well, because a cupboard usually kept locked was half open."

"Ah, yes, I remember the evidence about that."

"I had a nice game with some bottles, taking the corks out and sniffing. Suddenly I heard footsteps in the hall. I was scared. I shut the cupboard as quick as I could and pushed away the bottles on the shelf where there were other bottles. Presently Mother came in and found me. 'You here,' she began, but she didn't grumble as much as I'd expected. Then she went to the shelf and took some pills out of a bottle. 'I've got a bad head,' she said, and I went to lie down. Fetch a glass of water to my bedroom.' So I did, and that was how it happened."

"All quite by accident, you see."

"THE END."

U.S.A. Plans Mechanised Army

By JULIUS C. EDELSTEIN
 United Press Staff Correspondent

Representative Ross A. Collins, Mississippi Democrat and long-time advocate of a mechanised army, recently outlined to the House of Representatives a detailed prospectus on changes which have been made necessary in the Army by the development of the "blitzkrieg" technique in modern warfare.

Collins pointed out that he had advocated expansion of the air force and mechanisation of the land armies since 1930, and that the United States to-day faced the task of completely overhauling and streamlining its armed forces. Collins denounced the theory of "mass armies." He urged the creation of a comparatively small, highly mechanised, powerfully equipped land force, preceded by clouds of planes and headed by columns of tanks.

He urged army leaders to plan for an army which would be better than the German forces, more completely mechanised, and possessed of greater firing power.

He demanded the United States acquire a vast fleet of pursuit planes, long range bombers, and swift fighting or attack planes. He said that an army air force of 10,000 to 20,000 combat planes, with the pilots to fly them, would be a reasonable compromise between the present air force and President Roosevelt's goal of 50,000 planes.

Collins said a highly mechanised army, with properly equipped and trained technicians, would displace the need for military conscription, or for mass infantry forces. He urged unification of the army branches, and the abolition of the "separatism" of the air corps, the infantry, the cavalry, and signal corps.

Highlights of his comprehensive statement to the House follow:

"Up to now the desire of the War Department has been for men and still more men. Let us pray that those in charge to-day possess the courage and the wisdom to forget the obsolete idea of the power of numbers and begin to plan to fight according to the 1940 model.

"Men without the equipment for fighting modern battles are very sorry objects. The modern fighting machine is measured in terms of its fire power, or ability to discharge explosive and throw projectiles, including gas, just as the modern machine is measured in terms of horsepower.

"We would think very little of the latest stream lined automobile if it had a motor with only one cylinder, even though it was all nicely decorated with fresh paint, had a radio that played, and carried a lot of flags and insignia of rank. Similarly, I think very little of an army implemented with rifles, no matter how well its blue uniforms fit and no matter how well it can execute the ceremonies of the parade ground.

"Further, I cannot imagine anything more tragic than nicely trained marching men in front of machine-gun fire, much less 60-ton armoured tanks, flame-throwing land-battleships, and diving airplanes. China, Poland, Denmark, Norway, Holland, and Belgium were some of the nations that prepared for war according to the obsolete 1914 plans.

"A manpower army, besides lacking fire power and modern methods, is also deficient in another respect; it lacks the most vital attributes of a successful fighting force; mobility and surprise. These are two factors that are paramount in armed conflict to-day, and always.

"To get them an army must be broken into relatively cohesive units. It must also possess the fastest means of transportation available. In addition, it must be able to go into battle with protection of armour against the type of weapons it will have to face.

"It will not be a white-collar war but one using the latest machinery and new and unheard of devices to inflict casualties upon its adversary. Marching men do not frighten anyone in this day and age. They are only targets, helpless and confused, fit for slaughter.

"Let us not hark back to the teachings of a hundred years ago and assemble multitudes of young men trained to 'four right' and 'four left' with equipment that should have been junked many years ago. Instead let us train these young men to be scientists, chemists, mechanics, and skilled workers in order to bring into being modern war weapons that will inflict the maximum of death and destruction upon the enemy and at the same time save the lives of our own fighting forces.

"Our preparation must give evidence of inclination and capacity to do more than merely struggle up to the standards and achievements set by the German Army. Our congressional and military leadership must so develop in mental and physical capacity that it creates and brings into being a military force of such war initiative and foresight that it is superior to our potential enemies. It is not a question of becoming 'as good as' it must be 'better than.' Anything else is, of course, an absolute waste of money.

"A mere handful of combat airplanes or tanks will simply be lost in the first clash, with the result that we will be forced back to unarmed manpower and the battleaxe cannon-fodder system with which we are so familiar.

"If we are going to have a tremendous air force and sufficient mechanised divisions to be worth while, we cannot pay, equip, and take care of a tremendous mass of infantry; neither can we provide more than about one-sixth of the field artillery necessary to protect the infantrymen if we are fortunate enough ever to get them into a battle position. The targets presented by such masses would

simply be meat for the other fellow's fast-moving air and mechanised elements.

"We should aim at nothing less than 25 mechanised divisions of about 9,000 men to the division. This is probably the easiest part of a programme to get through industry because of our tremendous automobile plant capacity. Mechanised divisions must be of various types and their tanks must range from the light to the heavy types.

"Those with the light types will possess but little armour protection. Their object is accomplished by what may be termed concentrated diversion so that no targets are presented or only fleeting ones. Those divisions with heavy types, where the armour of the tanks is capable of standing up against the normal anti-tank gun now handled by mass infantry, will require actual artillery, not anti-tank guns, to stop them.

"Division motorised vehicles for light infantry must be provided. By light infantry is meant real sharpshooters, and in comparatively small numbers, armed with the best of rifles. They are men who will present almost no target but who will be able to hit the smallest whenever they do use their weapons.

"Machine guns for these forces should be on low, small, armoured cars operated by not more than two men. The Air Corps has provided a fine example in having one man operate the pursuit airplane and be its pilot, crew, gunner, and bomber. In other parts of the army we are inclined to the greatest waste of men.

"The tremendous value of mechanised units has been amply proved in the land warfare abroad. Lightning warfare, of the type we are now seeing so powerfully executed abroad, is dependent, first of all, on highly mobile armoured columns which cut themselves loose from supply systems as we have normally understood them and which break down resistance from the rear in a way new to warfare."

ORDEAL BY SPITFIRE

ON THE S.E. COAST.

High above the white cliffs of England throughout this brilliant summer's day German and British airmen have been fighting out one of the greatest air battles of the war, now in its tenth day.

On no previous occasion during this period of tremendous air warfare have I seen and heard so much activity.

Wave after wave of German bombers have passed over my head. Air fighting has been incessant. The whoop of bombs still rumbles in my ears and eyes now I can picture the most terrifying sight of the day—a direct hit by an anti-aircraft shell on a Dornier loaded with bombs.

THE ONE-WAY STREET

The end of it all is that squadrons of Hurricanes and Spitfires are now slowly and calmly patrolling the Channel in great swoops out to sea, whilst fire engines, military, and R.A.F. are dashing for miles around the countryside clearing up wreckage of Messerschmitts and Dorniers.

As usual in this hot spot we have seen most of the fighting from a narrow stretch of coast which the R.A.F. have turned into a one-way air street for the German bombers. They allow them to come in but not to return.

It all began soon after breakfast, when scores of bombers escorted by fighters tried to penetrate the coast but failed to penetrate the barrage. The R.A.F. engaged them at a tremendous height, and in a few seconds planes were falling from the sky in all directions.

Four Nazis fell in a nearby town, two more crashed into the sea, and a third broke up into fragments after the pilot had baled out. I watched him drift slowly downwards, at first a tiny speck of white high in the blue. He took nearly 15 minutes before he reached the sea.

Then I saw one of those gallant rescues for which the Navy and R.A.F. deserve highest praise. The Naval pilot was bobbing about in the water two miles from the beach when a motor-boat—risking the now familiar trenchery of German dive bombers and machine-guns—set out to the rescue at high speed.

Two Hurricanes showed the motor-boat the way by circling around the airman and diving repeatedly towards him. Thanks to this manoeuvre the sailors soon had him aboard. They were repaid for their humanity in an enemy airman by being able to pick up a British pilot who shortly afterwards came down into the sea by parachute close to their homeward route.

Colossal U.S. Army In Making

WASHINGTON, Oct. 15 (UP).—The United States embarks on a new phase of peace-time history on Wednesday when 16,404,000 men between the ages of 21 to 35 years register for military service.

President Roosevelt will inaugurate "R Day" (Registration Day) with a radio address at 8 a.m.

The registration will make effective the Selective Service Act under which the United States plans to have nearly 5,000,000 men in reserve units during the next five years.

PREMIER TALKS ON WAR AIMS

Answer To Commons Queries

LONDON, Oct. 15 (Reuter).—Mr. Winston Churchill's confidence in the outcome of the war and Germany's eventual defeat was again manifested to-day when he was questioned in the House of Commons on Britain's war aims.

The Prime Minister declared that the time had not yet come when any official declaration could be made beyond very carefully considered statements which had already appeared.

Asked to indicate that Britain was not fighting a war to maintain the status quo, Mr. Churchill retorted that he did not think anyone had the opinion that Britain was fighting in order to survive—a statement which was received with cheers.

Britain's Capacity To Win

Mr. Churchill added: "Our capacity to do that is more generally recognised throughout the world, and when the conviction we have about it becomes more general, then we shall be in a good position to take a further view of what we shall do with that victory when it is won."

"I think our great danger in making statements which are not of a very general character on this subject—take, for instance, the attitude to be adopted towards the enemy when he is defeated—is that you will find very different opinions prevailing about it."

Financial Aid To China

Question In Commons

LONDON, Oct. 15 (Reuter).—No fresh loan by the British Government to China is under consideration at the present time, declared Sir Kingsley Wood, Chancellor of the Exchequer, in the House of Commons. He was asked whether Government would consider such a loan to China under an exports credits scheme similar to that recently granted to China by the American Government. Sir Kingsley pointed out that China had already received assistance from Britain under the exports credits scheme, and as sterling available under this scheme had not been exhausted and only a small part of the export guarantees had been taken up, the question of further sterling assistance did not arise at present.

Crossword Puzzle

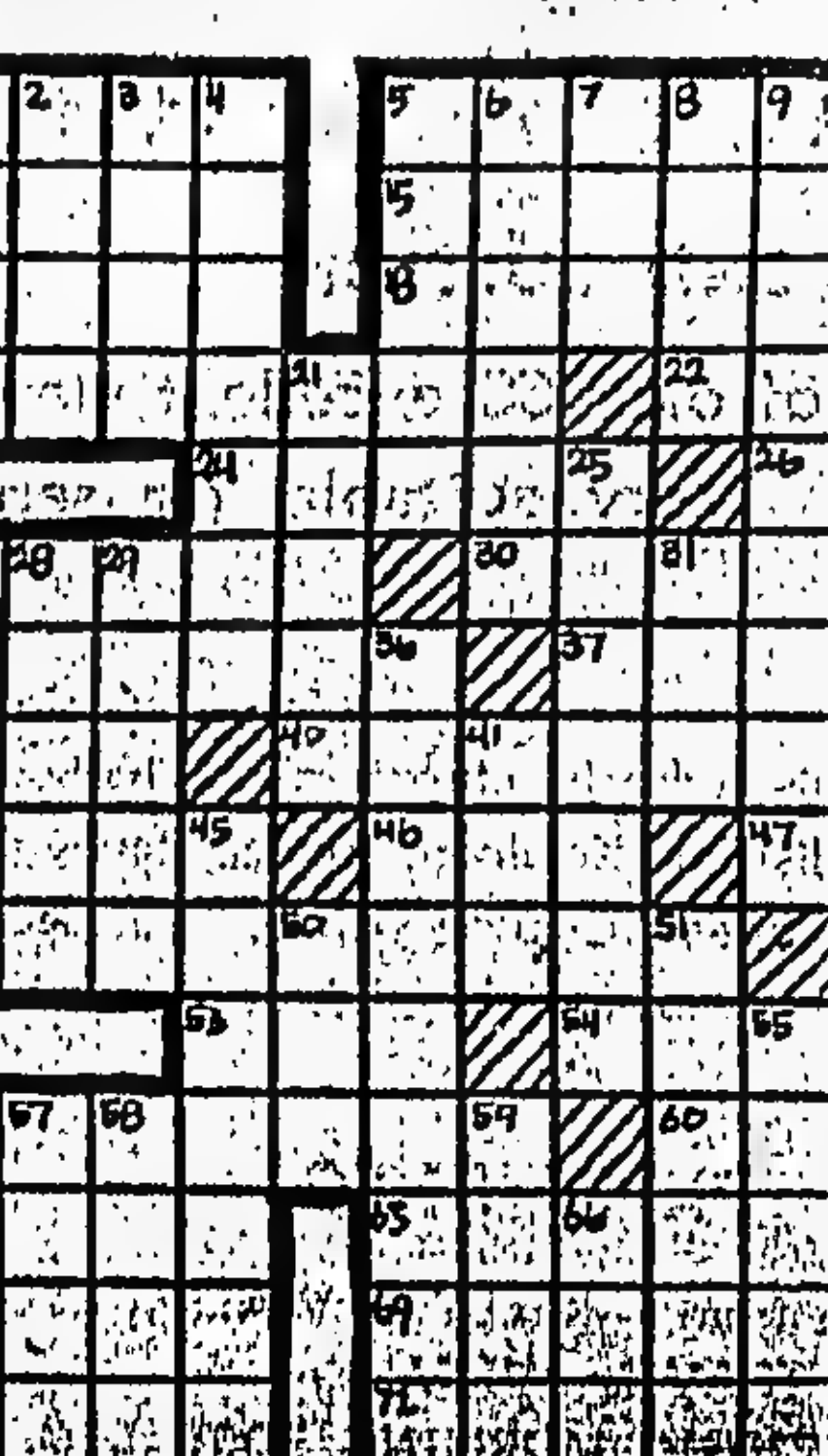
By LAKE MORRIS

ANSWERS TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

ACROSS
 1—Prominently jutting rock
 2—Dried pump
 3—Family residence
 4—Very rare
 5—Pertaining to bone in forearm
 6—Port at Red Sea
 7—Tortoise
 8—Spiritual nourishment
 9—Military meal
 10—Art useful to
 11—Very rare
 12—Man on horseback
 13—Last of rats
 14—Occasionally
 15—Sounds of birds
 16—Pirate
 17—Unlabeled (see Across)
 18—Mexican dialect
 19—Girl's name
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 22—One who repairs holes by sewing
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1—Two-footed creature
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A CALL TO THE BALKANS

THESE days most people are turning to each other with the questions "What do you think Bulgaria is doing?" "Is Rumania going to become another Indo-China?" "Will Turkey fight for us if necessary?" "Will Russia give the Nazis a free hand?" "Is Greece going to let us use her naval bases when we want them?"

The series of questions goes on and the dreadful answers are slowly and inexorably churned out by the Nazi-Fascist machine. They are dreadful answers because millions of peaceful people whose narrow lives should never have encompassed more than their own domain, are being tortured to death by that machine. Turn suddenly from parochial pursuits they learn that the old evils they hoped they had buried with their school days have become a reality. The Hun is on the war path again and his monstrous modernised hordes have taken the pitiless path of conquest. The Italian has donned his armour and aspires to become a Roman controlling the destinies of the world.

Heroic pictures these in the pageantry of this tumultuous little tea cup of a world. They ignore the intolerance, deliberate cruelty, hate and greed that fuels the machine. They discount the millions of young lives that were born to fructify but were instead, sacrificed for causes which they never fully understood and which their ancestors and predecessors also fought for in vain.

Happily a defence is always found for the most terrifying form of attack. Against the spirit of conquest and all that it implies in this day, there has arisen the latent determination of the British spirit. Self-preservation, the retention of our way of living and a firm defiance of the will to subdue, has stirred us to a pitch which is only heightened by reverse but will, when our sword is sharpened to its keenest edge, bear us on to victory as inexorably as the evil forces of Germany and Italy are spreading over Europe to-day.

One can only desire that the little nations of the Balkans will call truce to their internal disputes, which have been many and long. Standing singly in suspicion of their neighbours and far from the example of a free, democratic people, they are easy spoil for the Nazi military-cum-agreement machines. The things they make, the food they grow, the armies they drill, will be moulded into weapons against themselves by their Nazi masters unless a bold blow for freedom is struck in time to rouse the spark that will set Eastern Europe to flame against the Axis.

Unhappily the Balkans have nearly suffered oppression of some form or another, from their own rulers and chieftains and governments. It remains to be seen whether ardour for their own land has not been quenched utterly. A new enemy has arisen in Eastern Europe—Germany. Our cause is, quite apart from our own, a just one. Victory will only give it more justice.

NAZI AIR STRATEGY?

THE question most people are asking is whether the British air victory has halted the German invasion plans. The answer depends on whether the air attack is a thing apart or was intended as the preliminary to invasion.

All the evidence available points to the attack being a challenge to the strength of the R.A.F. and a series of defeats inflicted on us might very well have brought forward one of the enemy schemes to land troops in Britain.

On the trial of strength may have depended the whole future of German invasion policy, which was framed on limitations and relied on winning mastery in the air before it could be made effective as a plan.

The long-drawn-out combat has given air supremacy in the combat to Britain. The R.A.F. has won the first great battle in the history of military aviation and won it by a margin we ourselves hardly hoped to attain, confident though our air-men were that they had a better force than the Germans, even if smaller.

BIG SCHEME WRECKED

The day of decision came, when over a thousand, perhaps 1,500, aeroplanes were launched on us. The strategy was to

weaken us at some point by causing withdrawal of our squadrons to defend a main danger area.

Had that policy succeeded, no doubt a waiting force of machines would have smashed in at the denuded spot. But we withdrew nothing and each area retained its own strength. The whole of our fighters were not used. Our reserve strength remained unimpaired. We won at every point.

On Saturday, Marshal Goering conferred alone with Hitler. It would not be a pleasant interview, with the strength of nearly 50 squadrons lost in nine days and as many again rendered unserviceable for some time. The averages before the pair at this meeting would be 82 machines and 200 men lost per day, with the top note for one day revealing 180 aeroplanes destroyed and 450 pilots and gunners lost.

On these figures came a quiet day, something of a renewal next day, and new planning. An air-escorted Army is ruled out on the general showing, and it is said that Hitler has ordered a blockade of England, which means increased attacks on shipping and the use of small naval craft.

TWO MONTH'S WORK

Hitler still talks in terms of a blockade though he cannot impose one. He is asking neutrals to believe that the siege of Britain has begun as a result of the R.A.F. being rendered impotent. Note that he does not speak of invasion.

PARCELS FOR PRISONERS

The Red Cross and St. John War Organisation has issued a statement showing what may or may not be sent, and how things may be sent, to prisoners of war in Germany.

The International Convention provides that not later than one week after his arrival in a prison camp a prisoner can send a postcard to his family telling them of his capture and the state of his health.

If the post is delayed, the family may not receive this for some time. Officers may send three letters and four postcards each month; other ranks, two letters and four postcards. All correspondence to and from prisoners of war goes post free. Photographs may not be included.

Letters to prisoners should not exceed two sides of a sheet of note-paper—they should be posted in the ordinary way, but without a stamp—and not sent to the Red Cross Organisation. The sender should write his name and address on the back of the envelope, unless he is a member of his Majesty's Forces, in which case he must give the address of a friend or relative in this country, and arrange for letters so addressed to be forwarded to him.

Letters cannot be sent to a prisoner unless the camp address is known. The form of address is:—

PRISONERS OF WAR POST NO. STAMP
Service No., Rank, Name, British Prisoner of War (No. if known)
Camp Germany.

No attempt should be made to communicate with prisoner through people in neutral countries. No telegrams are allowed.

GIFTS OF CLOTHING

Relatives may send by ordinary parcel post (no special label is needed) suitable clothes and toilet accessories to the Clothing Section, St. James's Palace, as soon as the permanent camp address is known. Only one 10lb. parcel (not counting packing) may be sent. Items which make the parcel overweight cannot be returned.

The name and address of the prisoner and the name and address of the sender should be clearly written on the outside and inside of the parcel. A list of the contents must be included. The following items are suggested:—

1 shirt, 1 pair pants, 1 vest, socks, towel, blanket, pullover, handkerchiefs, brush and comb, brush, windcheater, sky suit, trousers, shoes, toothbrush and toothpaste in tin, pipe, razor, blades, shaving stick.

No tubes, jars, or bottles are allowed. The following clothes must not be sent:—

Complete suits, coloured trousers, sports coats or blazers, windcheaters, sky suits, or any kind of overcoat or jacket.

Prisoners whose relatives cannot give clothing, or can only give part of the parcel, will be supplied from

Red Cross stocks as soon as possible. It is hoped to be able to send a second parcel, which may contain uniform, when all prisoners have been supplied with essentials. But it may not be possible to send a clothing parcel again before the winter. Relatives should therefore collect warm underwear, woollies, stout and comfortable shoes, and if possible a light blanket. No food, tobacco, or chocolate can be included in a clothing parcel.

FOOD, BOOKS AND GAMES

The only food allowed to be sent is contained in the Red Cross Standard parcels which the Censor rigidly controls. Food (carefully analysed by a dietitian), soap, tobacco and cigarettes, costing approximately 10s. a week, are sent to each prisoner, whether or not financial contributions are received for individuals. As the expense is met entirely by the Red Cross Society and Order of St. John, donations towards the cost are welcomed, and postal orders should be made out to "Red Cross and St. John Fund, Prisoners of War Account," and sent to the Appeal Secretary, St. James's Palace, London, S.W.1.

Books, music, packs of cards, games, sporting equipment, &c., may be sent direct to prisoners through firms holding a permit to send printed matter abroad. They include:—

Army and Navy Stores, Boots, Harrods, Lilliput, Meccano, Selfridges, W.H. Smith and Son, "The Times" Book Club, and Truvello and Hanson.

The Educational Book Section arranges for books to be sent to prisoners wishing to study special subjects.

INVALID COMFORTS

The Invalid Comforts Section sends every four weeks consignments of household drugs, bandages, linens, and invalid foods and comforts for use in cases of illness or minor injuries. Relatives of a prisoner can send to the Invalid Comforts Section medicines or special remedies direct from their own chemist, to be included in these parcels. At the request of the relatives, or the senior officer of the camp, individual food parcels can be arranged for serious or chronic cases, requiring special diet, in place of the ordinary weekly food parcels. Men known to be in hospital are sent a special parcel for four weeks.

Seventy-five cigarettes (or the equivalent amount in tobacco) are sent to the camps for each prisoner every week.

The personal parcels service, by which next-of-kin can send a parcel every three months to a prisoner of war, is temporarily suspended. Meanwhile nothing but the articles listed in the paragraph above about clothing should be sent to St. James's Palace.

The department dealing with the subject is the Prisoners of War Department, War Organisation of the Red Cross and St. John, St. James's Palace, London, S.W.1.

FUNNY SIDE UP By Abner Dean



"I hear the firm is giving you two weeks vacation at MY desk, Mr. Poopie!"

In looking back at the fighting it seems that the attacks in the South were meant to draw strength from the East Coast and leave the industrial areas unprotected. Had we drawn any squadrons South, we could have given the enemy casualties at the ratio of eight to one instead of the four to one achieved by dependence on local forces.

Clearly, we defeated enemy shipping strategy in that way and beat him tactically at the same time. The air attack has been going on for two months, and from zero to peak, it has the following course:—

1. Reconnaissance flights to locate warship distribution in the North Sea;
2. Raids against shipping to test our convoy defence;
3. Raids on our coasts reconnoitring defensive strength;
4. Attempts to drive shipping from the Channel;
5. Raids on the coast and Channel by a hundred aeroplanes involving losses of three to one;
6. Wider raids with 300 machines and losses four to one;
7. Attack increased to 500 and losses six to one; victory propaganda to cover losses;
8. Massed attack by 1,500 over wide area and losses five to one, perhaps six to one; victory bulletins of amazing successes for German arms to hide the truth;
9. Temporary halt in the German attack with a probable loss of 550 machines during August and estimated loss of 1,800 pilots and gunners; local attacks renewed yesterday.

One of the German objectives is to drive our shipping to the West of England harbours and cause a distribution of naval strength to that area. This would give the enemy a room in the Channel and North Sea for coastal assaults.

The policy is shown by the enemy's claim to have accomplished this. Actually he has failed to divert his ships to the Channel, or to

OUR ADVANTAGE

Hitler is not likely to accept his air defeat as anything but a temporary setback, and will try again. He cannot move an army or an air-borne force without air supremacy, and he has embarked on a plan of wearing the R.A.F. down. But our force grows stronger every week with Home and Dominion intakes.

We have a pull in the matter of equipment, with hydraulic gun turrets working round the whole compass. The Germans, with fixed guns, fire in one direction. What we may expect is enemy reliance on dive bombers covered by fighters overhead to secure air-borne landings or surface raids.

The Hurricanes and Spitfires, the ground defence, the troops on shore, and the Navy aloft are more than a match for any such onslaught. As matters stand, the movement of a large German Army across the sea is still an unsolved problem for the enemy, and the vital one for him. If he could draw our strength South, a raid from Norway might be risked. But probably the air defeat has cast all plans into a fluid state by upsetting the schedule and timetable for the first time.

BRUSSELS— A DEAD CITY

From A Belgian Correspondent

Belgians who were in Brussels during the first weeks of the German occupation, and have since succeeded in escaping to neutral countries, state that the absence of transport and raw materials prevents any return to normal economic life in Belgium and Northern France.

Hundreds of bridges have disappeared, and the wooden structures which have taken their place are not strong enough to bear trains or motor-cars, except at a snail's pace. Traffic on the canals is also painfully slow on account of the obstructions caused by debris from wrecked bridges, and many railway and canal routes are entirely unusable.

Brussels, formerly so lively and gay, has become a dead city, according to these informants. Tramcars do not run after 9.30 p.m., and few cars are to be seen as the military authorities have requisitioned many and petrol is difficult to get.

Motor-lorries no longer of use for the army have been resold by the Germans to commercial and industrial firms, who use them for goods transport.

Food has been severely rationed and there is destitution everywhere. Anyone who has cash available buys articles of prime necessity whenever he has the chance.

Most of the cafes are open, but when Germans enter the Belgians leave, one by one, without waiting to finish their drinks.

It is evident, however, that the Germans have received instructions to show politeness and even kindness on every occasion. With an ostentation which makes the Belgians laugh, the Germans give up their seats in the tramcars to old and infirm passengers, and in the streets they are to be seen giving cigarettes to beggars.

Occasionally the German authorities announce that they have arrested a German soldier, who failed to show respect to civilians, and the gully are few tallows.

man is paraded through the streets with manacled wrists.

When the German troops pass by the Belgian public look the other way. There was a great military review in Brussels, outside the Royal Palace, some days after the Belgian Fete Nationale, but few Belgians turned out for it.

In spite of the hatred felt towards the invader, however, the Belgians will need even more courage than in the last War if they are to preserve their faith and hope.

They are finding it hard to explain the swift defeat of their army and especially to account for the catastrophic collapse of France. They are so mistrustful of German propaganda that they suspend judgment on a great number of questions, but the fact that King Leopold III, in retirement in his chateau at Laeken, near Brussels, regards himself as a prisoner and does not treat with the invader, supports their morale.

The German propagandists try to console the working classes by declaring that all employers, whether they have raw materials at least three-quarters of their pre-war employees.

A less skillful policy is followed with the farming community, who see even more clearly than the industrial workers that the Germans will bring them nothing but ruin. The industrialists and financiers are courted in a thousand ways.

Several Brussels theatres have reopened and turned themselves into music-halls. They are frequented only by Germans and the least desirable elements among the city population. Honest citizens meet in little groups, behind friendly doors, and it is already clear that intellectual as well as political activity will be carried on underground. So far, however, Belgians are still able to meet frankly among themselves, as there respect to civilians, and the gully are few tallows.

JAPANESE GIVING BACK CANTONESE FACTORIES

Special to the "Telegraph"

CANTON, Oct. 15 (Dome).—An agreement providing for the return of Chinese factories formerly managed by the Kwangtung Provincial Government and the Canton Municipality and temporarily under the control of Japanese military authorities following the occupation of Canton, was signed by Japanese and Chinese representatives at the International Club this afternoon.

EMBASSY DUG-OUT Does Not Escape Japanese Bomb

CHUNGKING, Oct. 15 (Reuter).—The removal of the British Embassy and Consulate General offices from the south bank of the Yangtze opposite Chungking back to the former premises on "Consular Lane" in the city proper, has been further delayed as the result of the Japanese bombing of the Consular Lane district.

Death Penalty In Occupied France

Nazi Decree
LONDON, Oct. 15 (Reuter).—The death penalty has been imposed by the German authorities in occupied France for the "crime" of harbouring British subjects, according to the Paris radio.

NAZI CLAIMS

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
BERLIN, Oct. 15 (UP).—The German High Command to-day announced that a U-boat has sunk a 1,275-ton British merchant ship. A second U-boat sank two tankers totalling 20,000 tons and severely damaged another steamer from a convoy while a third U-boat sank a 4,800-ton enemy merchant ship.

DAKAR EPISODE

Responsibility Taken By Britain
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
LONDON, Oct. 15 (Dome).—Mr. Winston Churchill, declared in the Commons to-day that the Government would take full responsibility for the unsuccessful expedition to Dakar apart from technical mishaps. Stressing Britain's determination to continue the war to victory, the Prime Minister said that world opinion, in so far as it is free, is "thoroughly behind us." Britain was not fighting the war merely to maintain the status quo but inter alia, in order to survive.

Same Old Adolf!

LONDON, Oct. 15 (Reuter).—"Absolute confidence in a German victory" was expressed by Hitler to-day in a brief address to a deputation of German farmers whom he received at the Chancellery in Berlin.

Free China Americans Without Instructions

CHUNGKING, Oct. 16 (Reuter).—It is learned that no instructions have been received regarding the evacuation of American nationals in Free China. The American Embassy office here has not been informed of any plan to evacuate Americans from Free China.

The signature followed the prolonged negotiations between a Japanese commission and the Kwangtung Provincial Government and the Canton Municipality conducted in accordance with the declarations of the Japanese Military and Naval Commanders-in-Chief in South China on July 10, announcing the intentions of the Japanese authorities to return the factories to their proper owners.

"New Asia" Wedge
A communique issued to-day by the Japanese commission says that the negotiations would uphold the cause of Sino-Japanese co-operation in a new East Asia.

EGYPT AND THE WAR Britain Will Wait For Decision

LONDON, Oct. 15 (Reuter).—Egypt was not a country of impatience; it was a country of democracy and her interests were intimately bound up with those of Great Britain, declared Lord Lloyd, Secretary of State for the Colonies to-day.

All Fronts Quiet
CAIRO, Oct. 15 (Reuter).—A G.H.Q. communique states that all fronts are quiet. There is nothing to report.

China Fighting Reports

CHUNGKING, Oct. 16 (Central News).—Chinese troops in southern Kwangsi successfully repulsed a Japanese attack on October 13. Protected by intense artillery fire, a Japanese column on the night of October 12 advanced along the Nanning-Wuming highway in an attempt to assault positions in the White Mountain area.

Flying Fortresses For Britain
Almost Certain
WASHINGTON, Oct. 15 (Reuter).—"Flying fortresses" are going to Britain, according to well-informed American quarters here.

Famous U.S. Yacht For The Scrap Heap

Boston, Oct. 23. The yacht Rainbow, successful defender of the famous America's Cup in 1934 and built by Harold S. Vanderbilt at a cost of nearly a half million dollars, headed for the scrap heap.

CHUNGKING APPOINTMENTS
CHUNGKING, Oct. 16 (Central News).—The National Government yesterday appointed Mr. Yeh Te-ming to be Chinese Consul at Penang, and Mr. Shen Wei-tan to be Chinese Consul General at Khabarovsk in the U.S.S.R.

DIRECT HITS ON BERLIN

R.A.F. Successes

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
LONDON, Oct. 15 (UP).—The Air Ministry announced to-day that the large gas works at Danzig Erstrasse, 2½ miles from the centre of Berlin was quickly located and "a well aimed stick of heavy calibre bombs started several fires which soon gained in intensity."

German Version
BERLIN, Oct. 15 (UP).—The official news agency says: "There is hardly a hospital left in Berlin which has not been hit by the British night bombers. The hospital at Virchow which was hit for the third time, and hitherto only by incendiary bombs, was last night bombed by four explosives which dropped amidst the hospital buildings. This time there were no dead, but several were slightly injured. Houses in the neighbourhood were evacuated because one bomb did not explode."

Early Night Raid
The Air Ministry has announced that Royal Air Force bombers were over Berlin early last night when they spent an hour and a quarter seeking out and attacking a number of military objectives both in the suburbs and the heart of the German capital.

Oil Factory Blasted
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
LONDON, Oct. 15 (UP).—The Air Ministry has announced that British planes carried out a devastating attack on the oil factory at Danzig, the most important synthetic oil plant in Germany whose annual capacity is estimated at over a million metric tons.

All Clear Signal
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
BERLIN, Oct. 15 (UP).—The all clear signal was sounded at twenty minutes after midnight.

Boulogne Hit
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
LONDON, Oct. 15 (UP).—Observers in Kent reported that the Royal Air Force bombed Boulogne in bright moonlight.

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STOCK EXCHANGE SHARP RISE IN GILT EDGED SHARES
LONDON, Oct. 15 (Reuter).—A sharp rise in gilt-edged stock was the chief feature of to-day's trading in the London Stock Exchange.

LOYAL NATIVES
Turkhan Tribe Offers Young Men
NAIROBI, Oct. 15 (Reuter).—In a personal message to His Majesty, the Paramount Chief of the Turkhan tribe has offered to the King the services of all the young men of the tribe and has asked the King's military authorities to make them soldiers.

American Planes For China

CHUNGKING, Oct. 16 (Reuter).—News of the possibility of China obtaining fighters and bombers ordered by Sweden but now held by the United States, is generally welcomed here since China urgently needs aircraft to protect traffic on the vital Burma Road when it re-opens on October 18 and also to defend cities in the interior of China.

Red Army Adopts New Stringent Discipline

MOSCOW, Oct. 15 (Reuter).—"The discipline of the Red Army must be stronger, higher and more exacting than in other armies where it is based on class subordination," declares the "Red Star," commenting on Marshal Timoshenko's new disciplinary code for the Red Army.

The newspaper continues: "The tense international situation compels us to be in a state of constant and complete military preparedness. The code gives officers complete authority. Officers will not be held responsible for the consequences when they have to use force in order to restore discipline."

Burma Road

LONDON, Oct. 15 (Reuter).—The Chinese Ambassador, Dr. Quo Tsching, called on Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, at the Foreign Office to-day. It is understood that questions arising from the re-opening of the Burma Road were discussed. Before seeing Mr. Butler, Dr. Quo had a 45-minute conversation with Lord Halifax, the Foreign Secretary. The talks are described as having occurred in a most cordial atmosphere.

BRITISH GUNS SHELL FRANCE

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
LONDON, Oct. 15 (UP).—The British long range guns fired several shells across the Straits of Dover this afternoon. The reflection of the bursting shells against the clouds was visible but a heavy mist prevented sight of the target.

Mr. Kennedy Not To Resign

WASHINGTON, Oct. 15 (Reuter).—Mr. Cordell Hull, the Secretary of State, stated that Mr. Joseph P. Kennedy, the American Ambassador, is leaving London for Washington within a week or ten days. Mr. Hull added that Mr. Kennedy will be returning to his post after consultation, so far as he knew.

Strafing Of N. Africa Italian Bases By R. A. F.

LONDON, Oct. 15, (British Wireless).—The Air Ministry news service has made public details of a series of raids carried out on October 13-14 on Ben Gazi by bombing aircraft of the R.A.F.

During the first raid, the main railway sidings were attacked with great success and one ship, moored at the Mole d'Italia, received a direct hit. During another raid, a jetty and wharves were the main objectives. Bombs fell among the buildings on the quay and started fires. Direct hits were also registered on the main mole and a number of bombs fell on barracks.

Bardia And Soffa
Bardia and the encampment at Soffa were raided during the evening of October 13, all bombs falling in the target area, but it was not possible to ascertain the full extent of the damage. In Eritrea, military objectives at Gura were again subjected to intense air attack. A direct hit on a large building started a series of explosions. Three hangars were bombed with success and the subsequent low level dive attacks resulted in six small and two large buildings being completely burnt out. Fires were also started on the south side of the main road.

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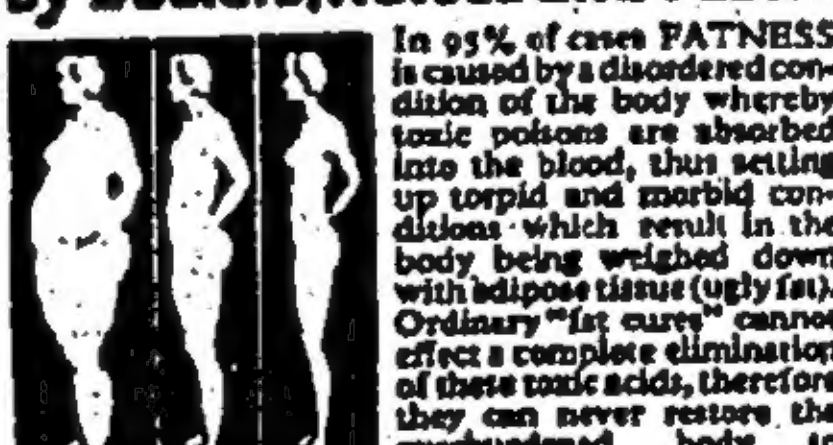
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Around The Courses Activities At Fanling

Preparations For The Amateur Championship

KOWLOON-HAPPY VALLEY MATCH

(By "Birdie")

THOUGHTS AT FANLING are mainly concerned with the coming Amateur Championship which will be played on Sunday, October 27. As from Monday the Royal Hongkong Golf Club has been open to members of outside Clubs who have entered the competition, and some of these players have already been active over both the New and Old Courses.

There is no gainsaying that the R.H.K.G.C. course is the course of the Colony, and, as foremost Golf Club and the only Club with 36 holes, is best suited to conduct the championship.

But there is the obvious factor that must be something of a handicap to outside golfers and that is the playing on a strange course. I do not write this as something that could be remedied; it is, I think, just an unfortunate fact.

The throwing open of the course two weeks before the Championship is a generous allowance by the Committee of the R.H.K.G.C., and if all outside competitors could get away for those two weeks and devote their time to playing out there, they would be able to digest the topography of the course in that period and the Championship day would have no drawbacks.

I had a score card that was given to me some time ago, tabulated so that a graph of one's scores could be made. Those between 100 and 120 are labeled. "If you are in this class you are neglecting your golf." Scores between 90 and 99 are "The Danger Zone" but scores between 70 and 89 are "If you are in this class you are neglecting your business."

This apparently doesn't hold good for Hongkong, for only a few of our top-notchers can get away for the whole of the practice period at Fanling. However, this, as I have said, is only a comment on fact.

THE end of this week should see the sand greens at the Country Club, Sheungshui, in playing condition again. The rains had caked them almost as hard as concrete, and it was impossible to pitch on them and hope to stay.

The season is only just starting, and the full roll has not yet commenced to play, but I would reiterate once more the request that greater attention be paid to conditions of the sand in bunkers and on the greens.

Footsteps in bunkers should be along the shortest line of approach to the ball and should be obliterated

after a shot has been played, and shots with protruberances that are likely to corrugate the surface of the greens should not be worn.

AT a recent meeting of the Country Club Committee, Mr. F. E. D'Almada Remedios was elected Captain of the Club. He will probably play himself in on November 10, which is the date of the annual "At Home".

On this latter date the usual competitions will be held. These will be driving, ladder and clock golf, approaching, and in all probability a Tombstone competition. The Committee also hope to inaugurate Bogey Pool competitions at more regular periods, and a match is being sought with the Kowloon Golf Club.

THE bi-annual match between the Kowloon G. C. and Happy Valley comes off this Sunday. Sixteen-a-side, with two reserves, who also play, the match commences at 9 a.m. with the singles, and four-balls are played in the afternoon after 1 p.m. The latter are usually extremely jolly affairs!

Kowloon is sending a full complement of 10 members into the Championship at Fanling, and it is expected that K. S. McKenzie, one of their newer members who has recently arrived from Australia where his handicap was 8, should figure prominently in the Visitor's Cup.

STARTING times for Sunday's match are (Kowloon players named first):

MORNING	
9.00 & 10.30 a.m.	R. K. Collings & D. B. Edwards
9.05 & 10.35 a.m.	A. J. Dennis & A. McKellar
9.10 & 10.40 a.m.	H. F. Phillips & A. C. I. Bowker
9.15 & 10.45 a.m.	W. E. Hillier & D. Humphreys

Manila Swimming Team Arriving Per Schedule

Advice from Manila was received yesterday by Mr. A. O. Barretto, Hon. Secretary of the Victoria Recreation Club, that the Philippines' interport swimming team will be arriving in Hongkong as per schedule on October 22, Tuesday next, by the Kamo Maru.

Next difficulty, which will probably be easily overcome, is the obtaining permission for the foreign delegates to land in Hongkong.

The Interport Swimming Meet, therefore, will be held on October 24, 25 and 26—Thursday, Friday and Saturday—next week.

Inter-Hong Swim Netts \$2,280

THE MAGNIFICENT SUM of \$2,280 was received by the "S. C. M. Post" and "H. K. Telegraph" Bomber Fund this morning as proceeds from the Inter-Hong Swimming Gala held at the European Y.M.C.A. on September 27.

\$1,729 From Volunteers' Aquatic Gala

A further sum of \$1,729 has been received from the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps, which sum was the proceeds of their inter-unit Swimming Meet held on Saturday last at the Army Pool.

TO all who assisted in the organizing of these two galas, the respective Committees extend their deepest thanks.

9.20 & 10.50 a.m.	K. S. McKenzie & W. Sharp
9.25 & 10.55 a.m.	A. L. Eastman & T. Low
9.30 & 11.00 a.m.	W. C. Simpson & H. W. Mundy
9.35 & 11.05 a.m.	W. V. Ahern & A. D. Humphreys
9.40 & 11.10 a.m.	E. C. Fincher & H. Smith
9.45 & 11.15 a.m.	A. W. Ramsay & G. E. Willerton
9.50 & 11.20 a.m.	W. A. Stewart & D. Forbes
9.55 & 11.25 a.m.	F. C. Barry & A. H. Penn
10.00 & 11.30 a.m.	J. D. Thomson & N. J. Bebbington
10.05 & 11.35 a.m.	T. Lamb & G. Davies
10.10 & 11.40 a.m.	A. A. Lopez & T. E. Low
10.15 & 11.45 a.m.	W. Kershaw & N. J. Booker
10.20 & 11.50 a.m.	H. J. Grose & W. Stoker
10.25 & 11.55 a.m.	E. O. Murphy & E. Greenwood

AFTERNOON	
2.15 p.m.	R. K. Collings & A. J. Dennis
2.20 p.m.	W. C. Simpson & W. V. Ahern
2.25 p.m.	H. F. Phillips & W. S. Hillier
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INTER-UNIT LAWN BOWLS



LT. A. A. Dand and Sgt. W. H. B. Muskett, of the Pay Section, keenly interested in their skip's wood as it comes in. Pay Section beat No. 1 Coy 29-12 at the Kowloon B.G.C. on Sunday last in the inter-unit Lawn Bowls competition.—Ming Yuen.

Bowls Singles Quarter-Finals

F. J. Jones Eliminates W. J. Howard 22-20 In Thrilling Match

TWO of the quarter-final matches in the Lawn Bowls Singles Championship were played yesterday at the Kowloon Football Club—F. J. Jones beating W. J. Howard 21-20 on the 24th, and M. R. Abbas beating C. C. Pereira 21-9 on the 18th.

The first of these games was one of decided thrills, but the second proved a walk-over for Abbas in that Pereira was definitely off form.

Howard, apparently, found difficulty in the speed of the K.F.C. green, and for the opening six heads was quite erratic, and conceding a 4 on the 5th end was 10-0 in arrears before he commenced scoring on the 7th.

With a brilliant sequence, however, which included two 3's, he not only drew up to Jones but passed him and led 12-10 on the 13th. Jones took the lead again on the 15th at 13-12, but with his 2 on the succeeding head, Howard regained the advantage which he never lost until the final head.

The second last head, the 23rd, was one of great excitement. Leading 20-17, and possibly lying one Howard lost his 3-shot lead when Jones, with his last wood, executed a brilliant shot that not only pushed out Howard's possible counter, but took over the jack to leave himself lying three.

Then there was greater excitement as wood by wood the bowlers bowled for the last head—the score being 20-20. Jones laid one shot with his third wood. Howard had very bad luck with his third wood when he narrowly failed to strike the jack, which had he done would have given him the shot. Then Jones drew another with his last wood, but Howard was wide.

The scores were:

F. J. Jones	W. J. Howard
1	1
2	2
3	3
4	4
5	5
6	6
7	7
8	8
9	9
10	10
11	11
12	12
13	13
14	14
15	15
16	16
17	17
18	18
19	19
20	20
21	21
22	22
23	23

M. R. Abbas Proves Too Accurate

M. R. ABBAS proved far too consistent and accurate for C. C. Pereira on the same green. The latter was much off form, and consequently at no period of the game did he appear a likely winner.

Abbas opened with a possible that was the result of simple drawing to the jack. On several heads, however, Pereira had bad luck when he missed the jack narrowly, for on each occasion had he succeeded in his design he would have scored.

The scores were:

M. R. Abbas	C. C. Pereira
1	1
2	2
3	3
4	4
5	5
6	6
7	7
8	8
9	9
10	10
11	11
12	12
13	13
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15	15
16	16
17	17
18	18
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22	22
23	23

Swimming

Small Units Win Area Challenge Cup Middlesex Defeated 2-1 In Water-Polo Final

DEFEATING Middlesex 2-1 in the final of the Large Units Knock-out water-polo tournament in the Army Pool yesterday Combined Small Units thus captured the Area Aggregate Challenge Cup for this year.

Middlesex were unfortunate to lose the match yesterday, being defeated by a penalty goal scored in the closing minutes of the game. General fault of the players, however, was their continually attempting to score with long shots. This was shared by both teams.

Both the first two goals came from close in—the first from Dignan (Small Units) when he swam through to just outside the 4-yard area, and the second from Jennings (M'x) who swam up to about the same distance and all were scored in the second half.

It was in this half that Middlesex held the decided advantage, and it was most unfortunate that Bindon attempted to impede a free-throw taken by M'x in the four-yard area, for he was ordered out of the bath, and Morgan scored from the penalty.

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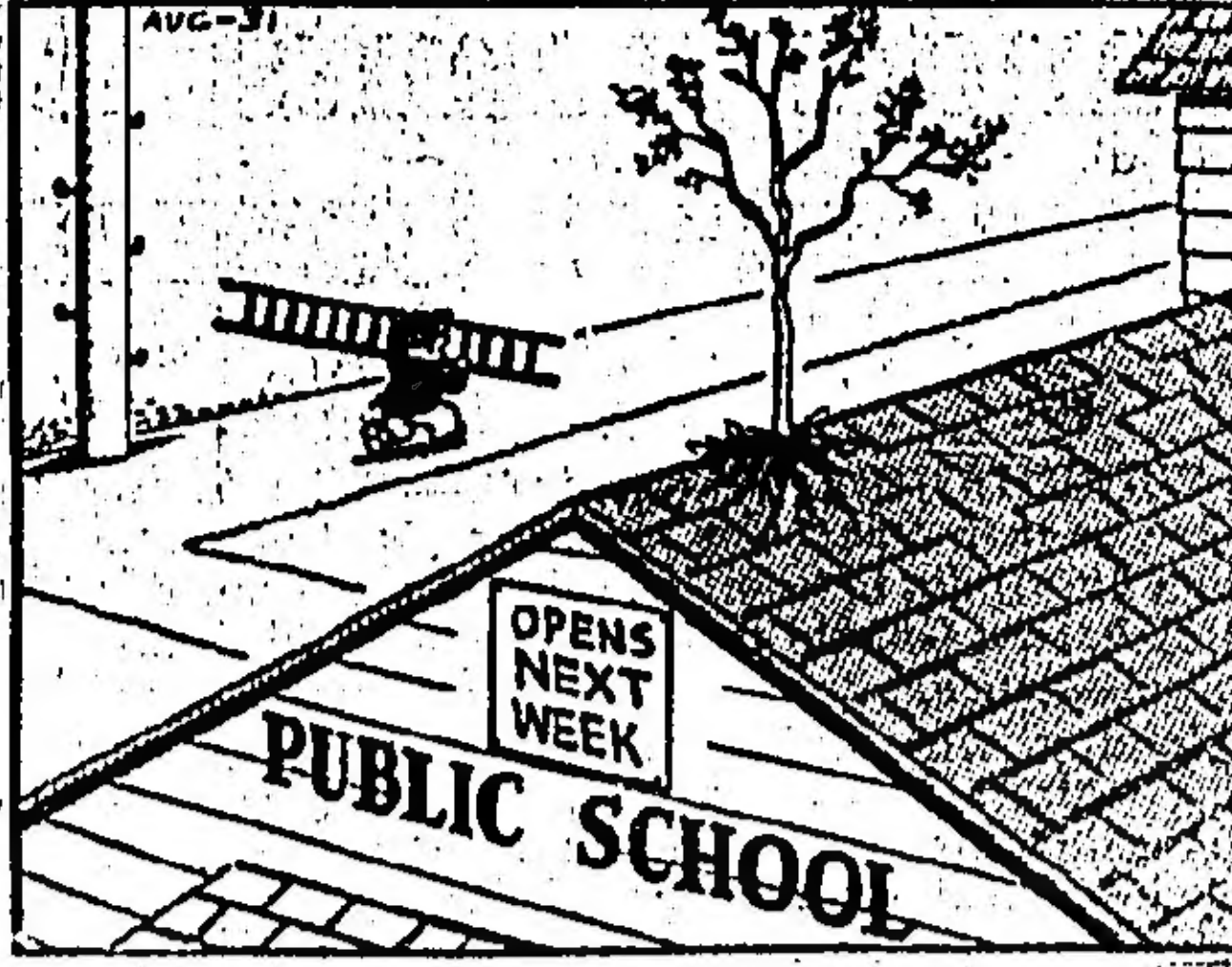
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OPIUM AND HEROIN DIVAN IN SHANGHAI STREET

Heavy penalties were imposed by Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen at Kowloon Magistracy this morning when Det. Sergeant H. J. Baldwin prosecuted Yu Sze on charges of operating an opium and heroin divan and unlawful possession of dangerous drugs at 177 Shanghai Street, first floor.

When police raided the premises about 7.30 p.m. on October 8, said Sergeant Baldwin, they found that half the floor as well as the verandah were used as a divan.

There were seven lamps on the floor, and, besides 18 opium and 13 heroin pipes seized, a quantity of prepared opium and 300 heroin pills were also discovered.

Fines totalling \$800 were imposed. In default, defendant is to serve a year in prison.

REY SCOTT OFF TO U.S.

Mr. Rey Scott, American cameraman who filmed the bombing of Chungking on September 10 and 20, left for San Francisco this morning by the City of Newport News.

Other passengers who embarked at Hongkong were Mr. W. F. Arndt, Mrs. C. J. Lafferty, and a French family of seven persons, Mr. and Mrs. Jenni Fay and five children.

Felix Villas Thief Caught

Ho Kiu, 33, unemployed, with two previous convictions, and Chan Suk-ku, 30, pleaded guilty before Mr. G. T. Lowry at Central Magistracy this morning to the theft of a watch, fountain pen, three pipes, a mahjong set and an umbrella, valued at \$188, the property of European residents at 4, Felix Villas.

Sub-Inspector Byron said that the first defendant was stopped by a detective when he was seen carrying a mahjong set. He admitted that he had stolen it and pointed out the second defendant who had the pipes. The remainder of the property was found in marine dealer's store.

First defendant was sentenced to four months' hard labour and the other to one month.

Japanese Gets Radio Surprise Without Licence

That he had no idea that a licence was necessary for operating a radio receiving set was the explanation given by a Japanese, Satoh Yukio, summoned before Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen at Kowloon Magistracy this morning. Defendant was in possession of a big Westinghouse long and short wave radiogram at the address stated without a licence or permit granted under the Telecommunications Ordinance.

Mr. J. Key, Inspector of Wireless, prosecuted. He said the premises were visited at 3 p.m. on September 23 and the lady of the house admitted that there was no licence for the set, which was used consistently for taking news broadcasts.

Defendant said that he bought the receiver from the Bosco Radio Corporation on September 4, but, as the dealer did not inform him, he had no idea permission was necessary to operate the set. The day after the visit of the Government authorities, he telephoned to the dealer, and they assisted him to get a licence. He stated he had been in Hongkong since July 10.

Mr. Macfadyen: Have you ever had a radio in other places than Hongkong?

Satoh: In Shanghai.

Didn't you have to get a licence there?—No licence is needed in Shanghai.

Mr. Macfadyen: That is very surprising. Imposing a fine of \$25, His Worship said it was very important at a time like this that the Government should have knowledge of the people in possession of radio apparatus.

Summons Adjourned

The summons against Iwao Yamamoto, of 27 Hankow Road, first floor, for a similar offence, was adjourned for a fortnight as defendant was absent. It was stated that defendant was away from the Colony, and it was not known when he would return.

Principle Involved In Claim For Small Sum

An application for leave to appeal against a decision of Mr. Justice E. H. Williams, given in a case heard last month in the Summary Court, was brought by the Sui Cheong Loong Lam, of 21 Chung Ching Street, before the Full Court of Appeal in the Supreme Court this morning.

The Court comprised the Chief Justice, Sir Athol MacGregor, and Mr. Justice J. A. Fraser. The Hon. Mr. Leo d'Almada, Jnr., instructed by Mr. S. Ng Quinn, appeared for the appellants, while the respondents, the Ng Kee Stall, appeared in person.

Mr. d'Almada said that the sum involved was only \$36.83, but the principle in the case was of importance not only generally but in principle and practice in the Summary Jurisdiction of the Court. Plaintiffs, represented by Mr. Quinn, claimed the balance of the price for goods sold and delivered, and the evidence showed a bargain and sale and not a sale and delivery. The goods in question were pigs which were sold on certain terms, one of which was that

Question Of Costs

Their Lordships enquired, in view of the smallness of the sum involved, what would be the position of the defendants in regard to costs should the appeal be allowed and a rehearing take place.

Mr. d'Almada, after consulting with Mr. Quinn, replied that if the appeal was allowed, solicitors for the plaintiffs would undertake not to press for costs.

Refusing leave to appeal, the Chief Justice, in the course of his remarks, said that the trial Judge, in the exercise of his discretion, gave judgment for the defendants and did not amend the claim as it appeared in the writ or entertained an application for leave to amend. The position was manifestly such that the moment the trial Judge found for the defendants, the plaintiffs were entitled to go out and apply for another writ claiming for goods bargained and sold, and assuming the evidence of his witnesses were true, would have obtained judgment on a further outlay of a very small sum indeed.

Short Cut

Instead of taking that simple short cut, plaintiffs had seen fit to apply for a review, thereafter sought leave to appeal, and then taken the matter before the Full Court.

Referring to a section of an Ordinance quoted by Mr. d'Almada, the Chief Justice said he was in full agreement with it, for it was made for the purpose of discouraging the bringing of appeals for trivial sums, when there were other cheaper methods available.

Mr. Justice Fraser concurred with the judgment of the Chief Justice.

STORY DRAWS \$50

About 11 p.m. last night a Chinese female apparently jumped off the Man Kong ferry on its way from Hongkong to Yau-mati. The woman was rescued by a seaman of the ferry. On arrival in Jordan Road, a Chinese lady, after hearing the woman's story gave her \$50.

delivery could not be taken until the price had been paid. Three of the animals were delivered and paid for, but the remaining one was not paid for and was kept in a stall until such time as payment was made.

Sum Too Small

The trial Judge ruled that no case had been made out in accordance with the writ, and Mr. Quinn made an application for leave to amend, but this was refused and judgment given for the defendants. Subsequently, Mr. D. L. St. John, for the plaintiffs, applied to the trial Judge for a review of this decision but this

Worked Women After 8 p.m.

Fines were imposed at Kowloon Magistracy this morning on the managers of four factories in Kowloon for employing female workers after 8 p.m.

The Chan Ah Metal Ware Co., 307 Castle Peak Road, was fined \$20. It was stated that 24 women were found working at 8.35 p.m.

The manager of defendant firm stated his clock might have been slow.

The Universal Metal Ware Co., 18 Fuk Wah Street, the Peninsula Garment Factory, 21 Wong Chuk Street, and the Mee Lee Hosiery Co., 11 Poplar Street, were each fined \$50. In each case, women were found working on the premises after 10 p.m.

Removal Of Buoys Notified

Singapore Harbour

A notice issued by the Harbour Master this morning reports the removal of the following buoys from Keppel Harbour, Singapore.

The black conical buoy marking the south-eastern end of Brani Reef to the north of Tereng Spit. The white conical buoy marking the south-eastern end of Brani Shoals. The buoys will not be replaced without further notice.

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The institution of a craftsmen's section was thoroughly justified, and the fact that the premier award was secured by an entry in this section, illustrates the excellence of amateur work in the Colony, not only in taking the photograph, but performing all the work of developing, enlarging and finishing. This section will be continued in future competitions.

It has been decided, however, that next year the other sections of the competition will be run on open lines, and amateurs will compete equally with professionals. In throwing open the event to the professional, the Telegraph will merely be adopting the usual rule of the Royal Photographic Society.

The Colony's amateurs need have nothing to fear on this score, for they have clearly demonstrated that, not only have they the ability, but in many cases, the enterprise and inspection as necessary in the production of outstanding photographic work.

BRIGADIER IN

Slight Car Collision

Brigadier McCleod, of 16, Park Mansions, reports that while turning his car No. 1600 into Garden Road near the Elderly May Institute about 6.30 p.m. yesterday, he failed to see another car approaching fairly fast. Both cars braked hard but the rear wheel of the other car collided with the bumper of Brigadier McCleod's car. Damage was slight.

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